

La Salle Charter Schools, Inc.

Special Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting Minutes

November 20, 2019

La Salle Charter Schools, Inc. Board Members Participating in Person: Demetrius Grooms, Dr. Colette Edson, Dr. Shirleas Washington, James Hill, Constance Gully, and Chris Hinckley.

La Salle Board Members Participating Telephonically: None

La Salle Charter Schools, Inc. Board Member Absent: Kim Perry and Adam Smith

Other Participants: Lauren Cobb and Muriel Smith (by phone).

I. Opening Items

- a. Call to Order - Notice of the meeting having duly been given and a quorum being present LaSalle School Chairman, Demetrius Grooms*, convened the Board of Directors Special Meeting of La Salle Charter Schools, Inc. ("La Salle") at approximately 4:40 pm p.m. Central Time at 1106 North Jefferson Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri, 63106.
- b. Adoption of Agenda - Proposed Agenda for meeting presented for approval. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the LaSalle Board approved and adopted the agenda.

II. General Board Business

- a. Open Comments – Mr. Grooms recognized the presence of Doug Thaman, the Executive Director of the MO Charter Public School Association (MCPSA) and prospective Board member Sister Kathleen Murray.
- b. Public Recognition – See above
- c. Mission Moment – Miss M. Scott spoke to the board about her three grandchildren, all of which attend or graduated from LaSalle School.
- d. MCPSA's Doug Thaman spoke to the Board about charter school funding equity and his work on legislation aimed at addressing the current law that creates a funding inequality impacting charter schools. He addressed the status of a related lawsuit and encouraged all to reach out to their respective state representatives on behalf of the proposed legislation.

III. Development/Encompass Update

- a. Graduate Support/Encompass/Development Update - DeLaSalle Inc. Executive Director Muriel Smith reported the below information and updates:
 - Advancement Committee plans, the calendar, fundraising efforts in light of stated goal.

- Oversight of school side LaSalle Enrichment.
- 7th graders participating in high school preparatory activities.
- Status of capital campaign; the Crawford Taylor grant.

IV. New Business

- Minutes from the October La Salle Board meeting were approved by a vote of the Board.

V. Old Business

- Charter renewal – Dr. Colette Edson informed the Board of the following regarding the Charter renewal process:
 - February 11th presentation by University of Missouri on behalf of La Salle to the Department of Secondary Education Board.
 - Voting process and expectations.

VI. Financial Report/Update

Board member, Mr. James Hill presented the October Financials and discussed the status of the FY' 2020 budget.

- The October Financials were voted on and approved.
- The FY 2020 Budget will need to be revised due to a change in attendance #'s and the addition of teachers to the Enrichment programs.

VII. Head of School Update

LaSalle Principal, Lauren Cobb, provided updates on the following:

- School 2019-20 enrollment: 122, not 121.
- Dashboard – Accountability, Parental Engagement, Year to Date OOS, and McKinney Vento.

VIII. Closed Session – A closed session was held.

IX. Adjournment

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:25 p.m.

Mr. Demetrius Grooms, Chair

Christopher W. Hinckley, Secretary

