

LIFT FOR LIFE ACADEMY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
May 25, 2017

Attendees:

Scott Dolan, President	Marshall Cohen, Executive Director
Tami Fernandez, Vice President	Katrice Noble, Ed.D., Deputy Director
Brian Liberman, Treasurer	David LeMay, Ph.D., HS Principal
Gina Wischmeyer, Secretary	Jeff Edwards, Middle School Principal
Ernie Banks	Julie Derby, Human Resources
Sandy Boxerman	Jennifer Bush, Development
Mary Jo Liberstein, Ph.D.	Kevin Kickham, Development

At 4:00 PM, President Scott Dolan called the meeting to order.

- **Mission Minute.** Marshall Cohen Introduced Kevin Kickham, who will be the new LFLA grant writer. Kevin was the key staff person for the 2017 Celebrating Success Fashion Show. He distributed an update of the Fashion Show revenue and attendance. Kevin announced *Savor for Students*, featuring top local Chefs will be held on June 29th at the Ritz Carlton to benefit LFLA.

Marshall Cohen announced that Jennifer Bush will be retiring at the end of the school year, and thanked her for her service.

- **Consent Agenda**

- A. Approval of April 2017 Board Minutes.**

- B. Consent & Approval of May Checks.** Brian Liberman reported that the Finance committee has reviewed and recommends approval.

- C. New Bank Account at Enterprise Bank.** Brian Liberman explained that this will be used as a deposit account.

- D. FY18 Budget.** Brian Liberman reported this is the budget that was reviewed in detail at the April Board meeting.

There being no questions or revisions, **Dr. Liberstein moved to approve all items on the Consent Agenda. Motion seconded by Brian Liberman and passed unanimously.**

III. Education Committee – Dr. Mary Jo Liberstein

Dr. Liberstein reported the committee has been focusing on the pre-K—elementary school expansion, and will hold expanded meetings in June. The Dashboard should be available for the June Board meeting to show year-end data.

A. Deputy Director Report — Dr. Katrice Noble

Dr. Noble reported:

- Preliminary data looks good for the MSIP5.
- LFLA will have a turnover of 6 teachers. (3 Middle School, 2 High School and 1 SPED). These teachers have been replaced.
- In the Middle School there will be more focus on science and social studies and teaching will be more project-based. Goal is to make science come alive.
- End of year tests will change again next year.

IV. SEMO — Scott Dolan (In Dr. Brock's absence)

Dr. Brock and Dr. Rogers-Adkinson attended graduation to witness 70 of 71 seniors graduating. This year no LFLA graduates will be attending SEMO. Work is continuing on the Charter Renewal.

V. Development — Tami Fernandez

A. Fashion Show Preliminary Report: Total Gross Revenue as of 5/22 = \$233,341 (This figure should increase as invoices have been sent for unpaid pledges.) Gross Revenue is approximately \$80,000 more than last year.

B. Capital Campaign – Marshall Cohen

- Interior renovation underway in Flannigan building, to be ready for 2017-18 school year.
- A groundbreaking ceremony is planned for later in summer.

VI. Operations Committee — Sandy Boxerman

A. Foundation Update: The LFLA Foundation exists under Missouri Law. Next step is IRS tax determination. Sandy and Scott are securing the additional information that the attorneys need to complete the IRS determination.

B. General Update

- **Service Award:** This year's award was given to Jeff Stephens, 7th grade Social Studies teacher. He also received the Bogard Humanities Award.
- **Succession Planning:** Debbie Champion Snyder is working on this with Marshall Cohen.

VII. Finance Committee — Brian Liberman

A. April YTD Financials

- LFLA is on target with all Dashboard items.
- Decrease in fund balance due to purchase of the 1825 Broadway building.
- In a better position than at beginning of year due to Michal Grace's extra attention to budget savings, steady ADA and grant income being high.
- Predicting a 14.8% DESE reserve.

VIII. Other

A. Charter Renewal & Timeline

- Dr. Noble reported that by June 9, 2017 all Charter documents will be ready for the application. The application will be reviewed by Dr. Brock and Steve Langhorst, prior to submittal to SEMO. Time is built in to make corrections if necessary prior to submittal to DESE.

B. The Board wants to let the teachers know how important they are and that they are appreciated.

IX. Closed Session — NONE.

X. Adjournment

Brian Liberman moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Gina Wischmeyer and passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Scott Dolan, President

Jennifer Bush for Gina Wischmeyer, Secretary