MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
FUTURE LEADERS INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL
JULY 21, 2011
DRAFT DATED AUGUST 3, 2011 SUBJECT TO BOARD APPROVAL

Members present: Suzanne Thompson, Ray Joseph, Jr., Melody Rollins, Andy Hutcher, Joan Wicks, Jay Hatfield, Marc Sulam and Izzy Colon.

Members absent: Natalie Deak Jaros and Jay Adya

Also present: Rachel Rocker and Yvonne Robinson (parent)

The Board meeting began at 4:35 pm at 1325 Avenue of the Americas and was called to order by Suzanne Thompson.

1. *The minutes of the June 15, 2011 Board Meeting were unanimously approved.*

2. Suzanne presented the preliminary 2011/2012 calendar for meetings and calls of the Board, Executive Committee and other committees and working groups. Izzy will work to fill in dates and times and recirculate it. A discussion followed on identifying new Board members with various types of expertise and the need for each existing Board member to communicate to the Co-Chairs their interest in taking on or maintaining officer positions and positions on various committees and working groups. This will be reviewed by the Executive Committee so that officer and committee/working group slates can be proposed before the annual meeting in October.

3. Izzy presented the Principal's Report focusing on state testing, including the DOE grading errors affecting some 3rd grade FLI students with revised results to come in August, the PICCS work, some open teacher and educational assistant positions, PowerSchool and the wireless system issues and proposed upgrade. A discussion occurred on these topics as well as the importance of marketing all of the positive changes in the school to parents and other school community members.

4. Rachel presented the revised Budget for school year 2011/2012, the model assumptions by category, including grants, wages, pensions and related benefits, payroll taxes and non-payroll costs. The discussion covered the wireless system upgrades, the Enrichment cost reductions and certain costs associated with changes in the school leadership, among other things. *The budget, including all legalfees and the Charter School Business Management financial consultant costs, was unanimously approved.* A request was made for a more detailed presentation of the Enrichment program at the next Board meeting.

5. Izzy presented a draft of the Robin Hood Progress Report. A discussion occurred about the best way to present changes in the school leadership, improved focus on academic achievement and the matching grant challenge for the new tutoring program and to address some of the other questions. Izzy agreed to revise the Progress Report and submit it with a cover letter that reflected any further Board feedback by the submission

deadline of July 22nd. Izzy will begin to prepare a meeting with Robin Hood, a subgroup of the Board and him on August 10th.

6. Suzanne thanked Yvonne for attending the Board meeting and supporting the school.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

The next Board meeting is expected to occur before the beginning of the new school year.

Respectfully submitted,

Andy Hutcher, Secretary