



FUTURE LEADERS INSTITUTE CHARTER SCHOOL

Board of Trustees Meeting

January 22, 2020

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

@ E&Y 5 Times Square, 23rd floor Conference Room H

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Conference Call Line:

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AGENDA

Note: For any topics marked with an asterisk, the allocated time is for questions, should they arise, from the information in the corresponding document in the Board packet.

ID	Subject	Action Required	Topic	Owner	Time
1	Announcements	N/A	a) Welcome and Announcements	a) Natalie	a) 5 minutes
2	Presentation	N/A	a) FLI Technology Needs	a) Jesse Taveras, Stan	a) 30 minutes
3	Board Business	Board Votes	a) Approval of December Board Meeting Minutes	b) Natalie	b) 2 minutes
4	Academics	N/A	EAC Update: a) EAC – Sat. Academy, Ext. Day b) Special Education Committee Update	a) Jody and Rusty b) JH	a) 20 minutes b) 5 minutes
5	Dashboards & Enrollment	N/A	a) Enrollment & Attendance Dashboards b) FLI Family Referral 529 Program	a) Stan b) Stan c) Stan	a) 10 minutes b) 15 minutes
6	Finance	N/A	Finance Committee Update: a) Monthly Finance Committee Narrative: November b) Month End Financial Statements: November*	a) Rudy / Stan b) Rudy	a) 10 minutes b) Read Only
7	Executive Session	N/A	Executive Session	Natalie	20 minutes ¹

¹ Anticipated length of time

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Board members present: Rudy Austin, Natalie Deak, Jon Drucker, Ross Harold, Jay Hatfield, Andy Hutcher and Julie Wilson.

Others present: Stan Brown (FLI Leadership Team), Thandi Edwards (FLI Staff), Jody Flowers (FLI Leadership Team), London Price (FLI Staff), Rusty Slovenec (FLI Leadership Team) and Jesse Taveras (FLI Staff).

By Phone: Katherine Brown, Rachel Klein and John Harrison York. Attendees participating by phone did not vote on any matters put forth to the Board for a vote during the meeting.

Board Members Absent: Roberta Kelly and Ryan Post.

The Board meeting began at approximately 5:30 p.m. at Ernst & Young and was called to order by Natalie Deak.

1. Ms. Deak welcomed all attendees to the meeting.
2. Jesse Taveras and Stan Brown gave a presentation on FLI's technology needs, particularly with regards to Chromebooks for students and laptops for staff. A Board discussion followed, which included input from the Finance Committee on the technology depreciation schedule, cybersecurity concerns and the opportunity for staff to use Chromebooks. It was determined that approximately 50 Chromebooks would be procured to meet immediate student needs and that a group of staff would pilot the use of Chromebooks in lieu of laptops. A follow-up discussion will take place at the next Board meeting.
3. *Upon motion duly made, the Board unanimously voted to approve the minutes from the December 18, 2019 Board meeting.*
4. Jody Flowers and Rusty Slovenec gave an update on Saturday Academy. The strategy for this year's Saturday Academy is to focus on test preparation for the state exams, with students grouped by ability. Nearly all of the instructors are members of the FLI staff. Leadership remains focused on maintaining robust attendance. A discussion followed.
5. Ms. Flowers and Mr. Slovenec answered questions from the Board regarding the school's approach to classroom intervention and remediation, as well as other opportunities to support learners who are struggling the most.

6. Ms. Flowers gave an overview of the history of FLI's Extended Day program. The Educational Accountability Working Group is reviewing the Extended Day program and is focused on infusing more academic content into it. The Working Group will present recommendations on the program more generally at an upcoming Board meeting.
7. John Harrison York gave an update on behalf of the ad hoc working group formed to explore FLI's special education offering. The group is exploring a number of alternatives to augment the school's programming and will present its recommendations at an upcoming Board meeting.
8. Mr. Brown gave an update on attendance and student enrollment. Mr. Brown discussed the status of applications for the 2020-21 school year, including citywide trends and the drivers behind the reduction in charter applications across the sector. A group of staff and parents are providing feedback on FLI's revised marketing materials. The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed referral program and proposed 529 plan. A discussion followed.
9. Rudy Austin, on behalf of the Finance Committee, and Mr. Brown delivered the Finance Committee update, including a discussion of the December monthly and year-to-date financials and the drivers behind the budget-to-actual variances in the projections for FY20.
10. On motion duly made, the Board moved to Executive Session at approximately 7:15 p.m.

Personnel matters were discussed. Executive Session adjourned at approximately 7:25 p.m.

The Board meeting adjourned at approximately 7:25 p.m.

The next Board meeting is expected to take place at 5:30 p.m. on February 27, 2020, at Ernst & Young.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine M. Brown

Secretary