



LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE BOARD BUSINESS MEETING

1116 Jefferson Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70115
August 22, 2024
6:00pm

CALL TO ORDER

The Legacy of Excellence Board convened the August 22, 2024, meeting in the Library of the Benjamin Franklin Elementary Mathematics and Science School at 1116 Jefferson Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana 70115. Mr. Tommie Vassal, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:08pm.

Board Roll Call: Tommie Vassal, present; Dr. Nia Woods Haydel, present; Dr. Bobbie Stevenson, present; Cynthia Steward, absent; Susan Vaughn, present; Detrich Hebert Johnson, present; Dr. J. Cornell Brooks, CEO, present. **The meeting had a quorum.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Additions/Modifications and Deletions

Motion to accept the agenda was made by Dr. Nia Woods Haydel and seconded by Detrich Hebert Johnson. **The motion passed.**

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

- June 27, 2024, Board Business Meeting Minutes

Motion to adopt the June 27, 2024, Board Business Meeting Minutes was motioned by Dr. Nia Woods Haydel and seconded by Dr. Bobbie Stevenson. **The motion passed.**

REPORT(S)

- Monthly Financial Summary – July 2024 4th Sector Solutions

Motion to accept the July 2024 Financial Summary was motioned by Dr. Bobbie Stevenson and seconded by Susan Vaughn. **The motion passed.**

PRESENTATION(S)

- Elementary School Principal's Report Nichelle Logan-Jones
- Middle School Principal's Report Patrice W. Joseph
- Leap 2024 Data Analysis Report Bronwyn Gilmore

CEO'S REPORT

ACTION ITEMS/RESOLUTIONS

The Legacy of Excellence Board is asked to act upon the following action items:

- **Action Item No. 1:** [Approval of the 2024-2025 Employee Handbook.](#)
Recommendation: That the Legacy of Excellence Board approve the 24-25 Employee Handbook.

Motion to accept the 2024-2025 Employee Handbook was motioned by Detrich Hebert Johnson and seconded by Dr. Nia Woods Haydel. **The motion passed.**

- **Action Item No. 2:** [Approval of the 2024-2025 Student Handbook](#)
Recommendation: That the Legacy of Excellence Board approve the 24-25 student handbook.

Motion to accept the 2024-2025 Student Handbook was motioned by Detrich Hebert Johnson and seconded by Susan Vaughn. **The motion passed.**

- **Action Item No. 3:** [Approval of the ICT contract.](#)
Recommendation: That the Legacy of Excellence Board approve the ICT technology contract for the 24-25 school year.

Motion to accept the ICT contract was motioned by Dr. Bobbie Stevenson and seconded by Detrich Hebert Johnson. **The motion passed.**

- **Action Item No. 4:** [Approval of the modification to the bereavement policy.](#)
Recommendation: That the Legacy of Excellence Board approve the modification to the bereavement policy.

Motion to accept the modification to the bereavement policy was motioned by Dr. Bobbie Stevenson and seconded by Dr. Nia Woods Haydel. **The motion passed.**

- **Action Item No. 5:** [Approval of the New Employee Sign on stipend and Current Employee Retention stipend.](#)
Recommendation: That the Legacy of Excellence Board approve the New Employee Sign-On stipend and Current Employee Retention stipend.

Motion to accept the New Employee Sign-On stipend and Current Employee Retention stipend was motioned by Detrich Hebert Johnson and seconded by Dr. Nia Woods Haydel. **The motion passed.**

- **Action Item No. 6:** [Approval of the employee's student enrollment policy.](#)
Recommendation: That the Legacy of Excellence Board approve the employees' student enrollment policy.

Motion to accept the employee's student enrollment policy was motioned by Dr. Nia Woods Haydel and seconded by Dr. Bobbie Stevenson. **The motion passed.**

- **Action Item No. 7:** Approval of the grant received from the Board of Trustees of the Greater New Orleans Foundation for Cyber Security.
Recommendation: That the Legacy of Excellence Board approve the \$20,000 ACH payment awarded to Benjamin Franklin Elementary School from the Board of Trustees of the Greater New Orleans Foundation designated for Cyber Security 101.

Motion to accept the grant received from the Board of Trustees of the Greater New Orleans Foundation for Cyber Security was motioned by Dr. Nia Woods Haydel and seconded by Dr. Bobbie Stevenson. **The motion passed.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:28pm, **upon an approved motion** by Dr. Bobbie Stevenson and seconded by Dr. Nia Woods Haydel, the Board meeting paused for Executive Session.

- New Board Member Consideration

At 7:32pm, **upon an approved motion** by Dr. Bobbie Stevenson and seconded by Dr. Nia Woods Haydel, the Board meeting resumed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Upon an approved motion by Dr. Nia Woods Haydel and seconded by Dr. Bobbie Stevenson, the meeting was adjourned at 7:34pm.