



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 17, 2014

Location 1: Aspire Public Schools 1001 22nd Ave Oakland, CA 94606
Location 2: 345 California Street, Ste 3300 San Francisco, CA 94104
Meeting Conference Line: 1-719-325-2630; Passcode: 804315

I. Public Business Meeting

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 12:40 PM. Quorum for the meeting was confirmed.

Board Members Present: Beth Hunkapiller, Steven Merrill, Dick Spalding and Warren Felson were present at Location 1 in Oakland. Jonathan Garfinkel was present at Location 2 in San Francisco.

Staff Present: James Willcox, Elise Darwish, Heather Kirkpatrick, Viraj Patel, Chris Padula, Emmile Brack, Delphine Sherman and Shireen Burns.

II. Changes to the Agenda: The 2014-15 Aspire Strategic Plan and Board Dashboard results were removed from the Discussion Items.

III. Public Comments Not on the Agenda: There were no public comments.

IV. Chairperson and CEO Comments: James Willcox presented a brief video clip of the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at Aspire Hanley Elementary School. There were no Chairperson or other Board member comments.

V. Discussion, Action Items, and Reports

A. Review the 2014-15 Aspire Strategic Plan and Board Dashboard results –this item was not discussed.

B. Strategy Deep Dive on Financial Stewardship –Delphine Sherman gave a presentation on the history and current strategy for financial stewardship to give Board members a thorough understanding of Aspire's sustainability plan going forward.

Break: The Board adjourned for a break at 2:20 PM.

Call to order: The Board reconvened at 2:30 PM.

C. Fundraising Plan and Update –Chris Padula explained the year-to-date goals and status for the fundraising plan, and the strategy for the Annual Fund through cultivation events throughout the year.

VI. Adjournment to Closed Session: The Board adjourned for Closed Session at 3:17 PM.

VII. Closed Session

A. Anticipated Litigation –One Case –One potential case was discussed. No action was taken.

VIII. Reconvene to Public Meeting: The meeting reconvened at 5:30 PM.

A. Report out on Closed Session Items: No actions were taken on litigation. The Board Chair reported no other Closed Session actions were taken other than those already noted in Section VII.

X. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 5:35 PM.

Approved this 18th Day of December, 2014 at Oakland, CA.


Emmille Brack, Interim Board Secretary