MEETING MINUTES

Name of Foundation: Southwest Louisiana Charter Academy Foundation, Inc.

Board Meeting: November 19, 2019—Board Meeting

School(s): Lake Charles College Prep

Southwest Louisiana Charter Academy

Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:		
November 19, 2019	5:45 PM	7:00 PM	December 17, 2019	5:30 PM	S. Brunet		
Meeting Location:							
Lake Charles College Prep, 2750 Power Centre Blvd, Lake Charles, LA 70607							

Attended by:					
Board Members:	Other Attendees:				
Ulysses Gene Thibodeaux, Board President	Mark Gamble, State Finance Director				
Rebecca Boniol, Vice President	Carlos Sam, Deputy Director of Operations				
Clyde Mitchell, Secretary/Treasurer	Greg Theriot, Deputy Director of Curriculum and Instruction				
Dr. Michael Kurth, Board Trustee	Cree Matlock, Public Policy and Government Relations Director				
Ron Richard, Board Trustee	Robin Gates, Asst. Principal, Southwest Louisiana Charter Academy				
Sylvia Stelly, Board Trustee	Farrah Eckard, Dean, Lake Charles Charter Academy				
Nicole Simien, Board Trustee	Stacey Brunet, Governing Board Manager				
Charles Honore, Board Trustee	Henry Mancuso, Executive Secretary				
	Jennifer Zeringue, Principal, LCCP				
Absent:	Shawn Piper, Chief Business Officer, LCCP				
Phyllis Kittling, Board Trustee	Peyton Pawlicki, Veron and Bice				
	Shanice Williams, LCCP				
	Phone:				
	Christine Locrotondo, Finance, CSUSA				
	Debra Leite, State Finance Manager, CSUSA				

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice, the board meeting commenced at 5:45 PM CST with a Call to Order by Board President Thibodeaux. Roll call was taken and quorum was established at the time of roll call.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

Approval of the October 2019 Board Meeting Minutes

- President Thibodeaux asked the board to review minutes and asked if there were any corrections. No corrections voiced.
- President Thibodeaux asked for public and trustee comments. None heard.

MOTION: Motion was made by Sylvia Stelly and seconded by Ron Richard to approve the October 2019 Board Meeting Minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

II. FINANCIAL REPORT

Approval of the September 2019 Financial Report

- Mark Gamble reviewed the September 2019 Financial Report with the board
- Board President Thibodeaux asked for trustee and public comments.

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MOTION: Motion was made by Charles Honore and seconded by Nicole Simien to accept the September 2019 Financial Report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

III. CSUSA REPORTS

School Year Report

- Robin Gates reported to the board to include:
 - o **Enrollment**
 - Athletic Report
 - o Community and School Events

SPS Presentation

• Greg Theriot reviewed the 2018 SPS Data with the board.

IV. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Henry Mancuso delivered a verbal report to the board.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- Activation of Vendor Committee---Bus Transportation
 - o The board activated the committee to begin research for the 2020-21 school year.
- December 2019 Board Meeting
 - o The board will decide at a later date if a December board meeting is needed.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- Follow up of Implementing an ESL Program at SWLCA
 - Sylvia Stelly is still coordinating schedules with SOBA principal for discussion of ESL program and accommodations at SWLA. Tentative date is October 21, 2019.
 - o President Thibodeaux asked for additional trustee and public comments.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

• There were no public comments

VIII. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

• There were no additional trustee comments.

IX. LCCP School Report

- Jennifer Zeringue, Principal, LCCP gave the school report to include:
 - o Enrollment was discussed
 - Financial Aid workshops were held in conjunction with McNeese and various colleges visited LCCP to address students about post 12th grade opportunities
 - Report Cards will go out Friday
 - o Home visits are ongoing
 - Received a scholarship for SOS Programs
 - Work Keys and various professional development activities
 - o Instruction Partners will return
 - Homecoming events were discussed

LCCP Finance Report

- Henry Mancuso gave the Financial Report to the board to include:
 - Lakeside Bank operating account report reviewed to include architect and dirt work construction fees.
 - Check and deposit review
 - o MFP deposit

X. Facility Report

Requirement for Public Bid

- Henry Mancuso and Judge Thibodeaux discussed the need to public bid for construction of new LCCP facility.
- The bond commission requested a public bid.
- Request for a tax exemption on materials and Senator Johns is assisting.
- President Thibodeaux asked for public and trustee comments.

MOTION: Motion was made to rescind the approval of the approximately \$16,000,000 contract for facility construction bid from Trahan Construction and place the job out for public bid. The motion passed unanimously.

Presentation to State Bond Commission, October 17, 2019

- Judge Thibodeaux and Henry Mancuso updated the board regarding the upcoming bond commission meeting in Baton Rouge, LA.
- Documents have been uploaded to the Bond Commission website per protocol.
- There is a possibility of non-vote by the commission due to request for additional information and questions.
- President Thibodeaux asked for public and trustee comments.

XI. Executive Secretary Report

Henry Mancuso reported there are 18 International Students at LCCP.

XII. Public Comments

- Julian Guillory presented the STEM 3D demo of the new LCCP facility to the board.
- In the upcoming months, Mr. Guillory will present student created demos and YouTube channel uploads.
- This is not implemented in Calcasieu Parish schools.
- Local architects gave the students a CAD file to create so he could use for his clients.

XIII. Trustee Comments

- Mr. Richard submitted a Marketing Proposal to the board and the committee will meet.
- Rebecca Boniol has been involved in creating additional STEM and Dual Enrollment partnership with McNeese State University.

XIV. Adjournment

MOTION: Motion was made by Ron Richard and seconded by Michael Kurth to adjourn the November 2019 meeting of the Southwest Louisiana Charter Academy Foundation, Inc. The motion passed unanimously.

Clyde Mitchell, Secretary/Treasurer

Date:	
	