

Longleaf School of the Arts
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
322 Chapanoke Road Raleigh NC
December 17, 2018

5:33pm CALL TO ORDER

- **Roll Call:** Rheji Burrell, Sabrina Francis, Elizabeth Grovenstein, Chuck Hensey, Cheryl Hiser, Dorinda Peacock, Larry Williams
- **Absent with Notice:** Liz McDonald, Stephanie Hawke
- **Mission Statement:** Longleaf School of the Arts will develop students into confident, responsible, and successful contributors in college, career, and community through mentorship and a challenging curriculum that integrates academics and the fine arts.
- **Agenda Approval:** Sabrina Francis moves to approve the agenda. Dorinda Peacock seconds the motion. Motion is approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

A consent agenda is used to approve routine items by voting on all items at one time, instead of voting on individual motions. Prior to approving the consent agenda, the Board will review the consent agenda and any items requiring discussion will be removed from the consent agenda and placed on the standing agenda.

Consent Agenda Item	Description	Action
Meeting Minutes	Approve meeting minutes for the November 27 meeting	.

Cheryl Hiser moves to approve the consent agenda. Sabrina Francis seconds. Motion is approved.

NEW BUSINESS

- 2019 Charter School Legislative Preview: Elizabeth Grovenstein
 - Led by NC Coalition for Charter Schools
 - Rep Craig Horn presented.
 - Take-aways: Charter Schools do not have a substantial lobbying presence. He suggested reaching out to representatives to visit the school. Reviewed the fact that State Board of Education (SBoE) has been in a lawsuit about the rules the SBoE created. Multiple year battle. SBoE lost the case. A number of the rules that they have created may be changed and many concern charter schools. NC Coalition for Charter Schools plan to be involved in the rule review. The other item discussed was the need to get more funding for charter schools.
 - NC Coalition for Charter Schools is seeking charter school members - Sabrina Francis noted that she would refer membership decision to the Policy committee and then to Finance for budgeting.

- 8th Grade Academy Pilot Presentation: Alex Alberti and Brittni Doyle
 - Pilot project was presented. Proposed adding an 8th grade class of 25 for pilot.
 - Ms. Doyle and Mr. Alberti met with OCS to discuss the proposal and were told this change would not involve a charter revision.
 - Discussed creating an Ad Hoc committee.
 - Sabrina Francis moves to create an ad hoc committee of Board, Faculty and Administration to evaluate the proposal. Chuck Hensey seconds the motion. Motion is approved.

OLD BUSINESS

- Enrollment Updates
 - In comparison to last year at this time, 21 students had withdrawn. So far this year, 12 have withdrawn.
 - Cheryl Hiser identified that the November report and December report had a discrepancy. Cheryl Hiser asked that if this happens the reported dates should be changed.

HEAD OF SCHOOL REPORT

- Thanked Ms. Doyle and Mr. Alberti for presenting.
- Next month, the calendar committee will present the 2019/2020 calendar.
- Winter dance a success.
- Call back system added an attendance/absence call.
- Received a \$250 check from the State Fair for the 5th place in Art.
- Received approval for the AP Capstone Program.
- Chorus and Instrumental concerts were held the first week of December.
- Longleaf thanked the Board for volunteering your time.
- First Night Raleigh - LSA PTSA will be participating, selling wristbands. The PTSA will receive a portion of the proceeds from the wristbands sold.
- The Arts Department will be partnering with local organizations to create murals.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- No public comments at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Finance: Cheryl Hiser/Denise Brown
 - There was not a full finance committee meeting due to inclement weather.
 - Cheryl Hiser presented the current budget report.
 - 42% of the way through the school year and most line items are tracking accordingly.
 - The budget amendment from November stated incorrect numbers. Cheryl Hiser modified the amendment.

- Cheryl Hiser moves to amend the budget amendment to increase total revenue by \$217,237 due to increased enrollment and receipt of health grant and to adjust expenses by \$107,914. This amendment will leave \$109,323 in reserve for future budget allocations. Sabrina Francis seconds the motion. Motion is approved.
- **Facilities: Larry Williams**
 - Certificate of Occupancy (COO) should be issued end of January.
- **Marketing/Development: Cheryl Hiser**
 - Grand Opening Celebration: Sabrina Francis
 - Awaiting final date for occupancy so date for celebration pending
- **Nomination Committee: Sabrina Francis**
 - Liz McDonald meeting attendance: Sabrina Francis has reached out to Liz McDonald regarding her move out of state and continuation on the Board. She will follow up with Liz.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Denise Brown: Community Music met with the Music Department and Denise Brown regarding a partnership. Ms. Brown will provide details to the Board for comments and questions for future discussion.

7:02pm CLOSED SESSION

Sabrina Francis moves, Pursuant to GS 143-318.11(a)(1) the Board will move into closed session for the purpose of hearing student grievances. Larry Williams seconds. Motion is approved.

7:46pm OPEN SESSION

Sabrina Francis moves to resume open session. Chuck Hensey seconds the motion. Motion is approved.

Sabrina Francis moves to deny the appeal. Dorinda Peacock seconds the motion. Motion is approved with 6 Ayes.

7:49 ADJOURNMENT

Dorinda Peacock moves to adjourn. Cheryl Hiser seconds the motion. Motion is approved.

Next Board Meeting Date: January 28, 5:30pm Longleaf School of the Arts