

AGENDA
MEETING OF GOVERNING BOARD, LEF OF
WEST BROWARD COUNTY, INC.
IMAGINE CHARTER SCHOOL AT WESTON

Meeting Minutes

Date: October 21, 2014

Item 1: Call to order

- Mr. Sandoe called to order the regular meeting of the LEF of West Broward, Inc. at 5:42 p.m. on October 21, 2014 in the Middle School Great room.

Item 2: Public Notice and Roll Call

- Board members present: Patrick Sandoe, Don Francey, Jhanet Garcia, Paul Eichner (attorney) and the following people were also present: Nadine Laham, Principal, Jacky Vernon (Regional Director Imagine Schools), Elsa Forthmuller (Finance Manager) and Karen Gross. Also present were Jason Montan, Ericka Barnes (arrived 6:50pm) and Sylvia Allen. **Public Notice:** Ms. Laham confirmed Public Notice.

Item 3: Minutes

- Minutes: September 23, 2014 LEF Board Meeting minutes were presented for review and approval. Motion to amend (p2 underpaid to understated of shared expenses, p2. mid page "will" to we'll) by Mr. Francey, Second by Ms. Garcia, all aye (3-0); Motion to approve as amended by Ms. Garcia, seconded by Mr. Francey, all aye (3-0).

Item 4: Principal's Report

- Ms. Laham indicated that student enrollment was at 740 for the elementary and that K-5 was fully enrolled, 42 students were in VPK and 242 students in the middle school, also fully enrolled.
- BAF testing consists of math, reading, science FCAT for elementary, mission statement still pending, fundraiser luncheon on Celebrity Silhouette set for November 16, 2014 60 of 100 tickets sold to date, DC trip for students set for next week, PAWS night for grades 3-5 had over 100 parents attend. Future fundraisers, a lot of parents stepping up to the plate. Fun Run at Weston Regional Park sometime in February. Golf in May at Lago Mar. Remainder of Principal's update was summarized in the agenda.

Item 5: Region Director's Report

- Presented by Ms. Vernon. Ms. Vernon indicated that it was not possible for Imagine Administration to meet with the board tonight. Ms. Sasse, through Ms. Vernon, indicated that Imagine is willing to do a meeting and that alternate dates are needed. Ms. Vernon summarized what she did in response to Mr. Sandoe's request for information. She reiterated that Imagine will always help, publicize, etc. Ms. Vernon did contact a professional fundraiser, website carestrategies4nonprofits.com. Ms. Vernon also followed up with grant specialists. One company said it will write grants, find 6 opportunities to apply to for a fee of \$750.00. Mr. Huber was talking with the school building owners re: the sale of the building. Ms. Garcia inquired what happened since the last discussion when the building price was out of range. Ms. Allen inquired about the documents the board needs to give proper direction. Ms. Vernon indicated she did not know specifics. Mr. Francey inquired as to whether Karl and Chris communicate. Chris has a tremendous portfolio of knowledge about REITS, straight mortgage, different instruments. Mr. Francey indicated that it is not the board's job to state the best method. Mr. Sandoe said the organization, including the board, needs to define goals and who is doing what, that Imagine has experience on the national level and that the board cannot pretend to have the expertise on the national level. What is Imagines vision over the next seven years? Does it match the board's vision? Mr. Sandoe said he wants to see/hear Imagine corporate thoughts and wants to see their resources. Ms. Vernon responded to reference to Mr. Olkes as one of the two CEO's by indicating he is a consultant to Imagine. Mr. Francey indicated that the current business model is broken and while he appreciates Ms. Vernon's time, there is a situation to address. Mr. Francey said that the LEF of West Broward K-5 is a brand that has brought recognition

and revenue to Imagine; that we need to find the right solution in a timely manner. Mr. Montan said the board was seeking feedback, a defined time line and some concrete dates. Ms. Garcia indicated that we've been at this for the past three years and not getting any answers, she expressed surprise that Imagine was looking at purchase of the building again because before it was a no go and there has been no feedback to indicate that anything had changed. Mr. Montan stated that if the board does self help Imagine corporate will step back. Ms. Garcia indicated that if the school does fundraising how much is going where, that a defined purpose is needed, that we need to try to get more money for teacher salaries. Mr. Francey again reiterated that the board wants to get a CFO level person at the next meeting to discuss what Imagine's plans are post lease. It was decided to offer three meeting dates, November 18, November 25 or December 2 to Imagine. Ms. Vernon will convey those dates to Imagine Corporate and get back with the board.

Item 6: Board Action

- None

Item 7: Public Input- Candy Teolis

Item 6: Board Action – Mr. Francey thanked staff for input.

Items 6: Next Meeting- November 18, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

Item 7: Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

Bob
Governing Board President
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