

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

**MEETING MINUTES  
Date: September 29th, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER**

- Mr. Sandoe called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

- Board members present: Patrick Sandoe, Veronica Diaz, and Priscilla Prado Stroze. The following persons were also present: Paul Eichner, attorney, Nadine Laham (Principal), Jacky Vernon (Region Director Imagine Schools), Theresa Summer (Assistant Principal), Elsa Forthmuller (Region Finance Manager), Karen Gross (Business Manager), Sylvia Allen, Erika Royal Barnes, Jason Montan.

**PUBLIC NOTICE:**

- Ms. Laham confirmed public notice

Mr. Sandoe asked if additional details needed to be added to the meeting minutes from September 15th, 2015 and noted that the minutes, as written, contained what was discussed. Ms. Summer requested her name to be corrected. Motion to accept the meeting minutes was made by Priscilla Prado Stroze, seconded by Veronica Diaz. All aye (3-0) with the corrected names.

**PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE AND NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. School Excellence Plan – draft. Ms. Laham provided a draft of the School Excellence Plan. We went over the expected outcomes and SMART goals for Reading (based on their STAR test scores) and discussed the each grade level's goals (1-8). Also discussed was the writing (ELA testing grades 4-8) and the Science goals (5<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> FCAT results). The Character Development goals were also addressed as were some other goals that were still being worked on.
- b. Student enrollment for 2015-2016: still need 2 more students for full enrollment. Budgeted for 704. Currently have 702.

- c. Scholastic Book Fair. School Fair is back and it will take place beginning October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 with Grandparent night and Family Night on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015. (This covers point d and e of the Agenda)
- f. Hispanic Heritage Festival - Bi-lit classes performing – Oct 15<sup>th</sup>
- g. I Led the Pledge – City Commission Meeting – Oct 19<sup>th</sup>
- h. Principals' Reception at City of Weston – Oct 20<sup>th</sup>

**BOARD INPUT**

- a. "All in for Excellence":  
Erika explained how the Crowdrise works. She showed the example web page. She explained that Crowdrise only hosts the website. There is a Google company called We Pay handling the credit card payments. They charge 2.9%. She also explained Crowdrise is not offering right now the recurring payment. However, they can do daily deposits and will provide an excel spreadsheet with all the data, dates of donation, family donation, amounts, etc. Paul went over the contract. The indemnification language, he explained, did not apply completely to Imagine Weston because we will not engage on some of the activities described. The 2 bank accounts are already created and link for each institution. We already received donation in the amount of \$1,000 for ~~Middle~~ <sup>Elementary</sup> account and \$250 in the ~~Elementary~~ <sup>Middle</sup> account. We had a discussion about the process and procedure of the manual donations. We are planning to have a dress down day for all the children that bring back the acknowledgment for the All in for Excellence initiative.

Priscilla talked about the flooded area on the field and Ms. Laham stated the drains and sewers need work. Ms. Laham will research about it.

**BOARD ACTIONS**

- a. Patrick will draft a letter with details on the Initiative. Motion to authorize Patrick Sandoe to draft a letter to the parents stating "All in for Excellence" is live and providing the link to the website, by Priscilla Prado Stroze and seconded by Veronica Diaz . All aye (3-0)
- b. Ms. Laham will research if it is possible to have a tab on the ImagineWeston.org website for "All in Excellence".
- c. Motion to approve Crowd Rise and We Pay as the Web tool to use for All In for Excellence, the 3 month free plan securing 3% and \$25 monthly fee for each account presented by Priscilla Prado Stroze and seconded by Veronica Diaz . All aye (3-0)

**PUBLIC INPUT**

None

**BOARD INPUT**

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:** November 17th, 2015 at 5:30pm. Elementary will go first

Meeting adjourned 7:44 p.m.

*Priscilla Prado Stroze*  
 Governing Board President  
 10/19/15