



Apex Collegiate Academy Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

30 November 2017

5:30 PM to 7:00PM

Howard University Room | 9700 Scenic Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA

Attendance:

Time	Lead/Presenter	Report/Material	Actions	Outcomes
6:01 pm	Mr. Dexter called the meeting to order.			
6:05 pm	Mr. Gaudin moved to defer approving the October minutes to the December meeting. Ms. Baillio seconded.			
6:10 pm	Mr. Lewis presented the Academic Achievement Update. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mr. Lewis showed the board the dashboard which records behavior, attendance and grades. ● From Oct. 1 - Oct. 31 there were 110 students enrolled. ● Average daily attendance for the month of Oct. was in the 90s for each class. ● The target goal for overall attendance is 95%, overall the school is reaching 96%. ● Southern has had the most students sent to detention. ● At least once a week every teacher gives an assessment, either a quiz or test. ● A student is sent to detention if they have received 5 demerits. 			
6:35 pm	Ms. Baillio asked Mr. Bennett what motivates him to do his best. Ms. Armstrong chimed in and said that Mr. Bennett enjoys being able to help her. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Overall performance is on par with other C schools in 6th grade based on ELA testing. ● Overall performance is five points below other C schools in 7th grade based on ELA testing. ● Overall performance is three points below other C schools in 6th grade based on math testing. ● Overall performance is four points below other C schools in 7th grade based on math testing. 			
7:05 pm	Mr. Lewis presented the Finance Committee Update.			

	<p>The Finance Committee recommends approval of last month's financials.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Net gain in October of \$11,616. 53. • Year to date APEX has a net gain of \$61,957. • The budget APEX was operating off of was based on a count of 185 students, funds received were for 160, actual enrollment was 110. • Beginning in December rent will be \$5,000. • Storage is a need that must be addressed soon. • Payroll liabilities are proposed to be paid back \$5k a month. • New School Loan repayment proposed at \$10k a month. <p>Mr. Gaudin moved to approve the financials. Ms. Baillio seconded.</p>
7:22 pm	<p>Ms. Armstrong said the audit is on track to be complete. Mr. Dexter moved to approve the Louisiana testation questionnaire and the compliance questionnaire. Mr. Gaudin seconded.</p>
7:32 pm	<p>Mr. Dexter gave a governance committee update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two additional potential board members are in the selection process. • No new contracts and no changes to any policies.
7:33 pm	<p>Mr. Lewis provided the fund development update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most fundraising is for sports opportunities. • The basketball team is working on fundraisers. They brought in about \$900 which was used to purchase uniforms for boys and girls. • Robotics are ready to be purchased as soon as a donor is found. The end of December would be idea. They can be purchased individually, however, there is a discount when more are purchased.
7:40 pm	<p>Mr. Lewis presented his Executive Director's report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competed in a league composed of similar schools. • More than half the students had never played football before. • Coach Whiff was a volunteer and APEX is greatly appreciated. • Volleyball coach is also a volunteer and very appreciated. • The dance team performed in the East Feliciana High homecoming parade. • Basketball season is beginning. • APEX is looking for a volunteer track coach. • The coach at Scotlandville high has agreed to let APEX use the track at practice. • Students have to have \$70 on their paycheck to participate in extracurriculars. • In 6th grade, students are studying computer programming. In 7th grade, students are learning robotics. • Students are using the scratch program to learn computer programing. This program would enable them to compete in statewide competitions. • The robots that the 7th grade students are studying with are also used in regional competitions. • The goal of many of the projects is to teach the students critical thinking skills. <p>Mr. Dana Peterson from the RSD met with Mr. Lewis and Mr. Dexter.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The environment of charter schools is oversaturated in the area.● There are concerns about APEX's ability to succeed moving forward regarding student performance.● Not all the schools in the area will be able to survive long term and there will be some consolidation.● Mr. Lewis feels very confident in the progress that APEX is making.● There are merger options available for APEX's future if that becomes necessary.● Four new students were enrolled this week.● Ultimately the future of the school is up to the board of directors.
8:29 pm	Mr Gaudin moved to adjourn. Mr. Dexter seconded.