

Los Feliz Charter School for the Arts
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes -- APPROVED
March 26, 2009 5:45 – 6:10 pm
United Way L.A. Office 523 W 6th St. Los Angeles

BOARD MEMBERS:

Present: Karin Newlin, George Abrams, Marta Alcumbrac, Gabrielle Samuels, Linda Johannesen, Elise Buik, Bob Greenberg

Absent: Verna Dauterive, Marissa Chibas-Preston, Michael Bishop, Sharon Sutton

Quorum? Yes.

Also Present: Mary Ann Gallo

PROCEEDINGS:

- George Abrams called the meeting to order at 5:45 pm.
- Abrams moves to approve March's Board Meeting minutes. Linda Johannesen seconds. Ayes: George Abrams, Bob Greenberg, Linda Johannesen, Elise Buik, Gabrielle Samuels, Marta Alcumbrac. Motion carries.
- Alcumbrac gives a brief description of the GRASP Project Grant. 20 schools are being looked at for the grant. If awarded, LFCSA would have a specialist visit the school for a day and meet with various "stakeholders" in the community -- Board members, teachers, parents. Questions asked would address curriculum, human resources practices, governance, etc. An attorney who is an expert in charter schools would review the data and come back for another day at the school. They have already applied for the grant. In order to be awarded the grant, they need to know that the Board is committed to it.
- Alcumbrac moves that if LFCSA is awarded the GRASP Project grant, the Board, staff and administration will engage in its implementation. Gabrielle Samuels seconds. Ayes: Alcumbrac, Johannesen, Samuels, Greenberg, Abrams, Buik. Motion carries.
- Abrams notes that at the last meeting, the Board approved of the Site Committee's hiring of Kevin Mulcahy (of architectural firm, Studio TBD) as project manager on the Media Center Dr. site. He adds that ExED has asked for a Board Resolution to issue the first payment of \$36,900.
- Johannesen moves to approve the first payment to Studio TBD for January thru March 2009, not to exceed \$37,000. Samuels seconds. Ayes: Alcumbrac, Johannesen, Greenberg, Abrams, Buik. Motion carries.
- There is a brief discussion of the Board Retreat and the slate of Executive Board positions. Agenda and schedule for Board retreat will be discussed at next Board meeting.
- Abrams moves to adjourn at 6:10 pm. Alcumbrac seconds. Ayes: Abrams, Alcumbrac, Johannesen, Samuels, Greenberg, Buik. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned 6:10 pm.
- Minutes submitted by Mary Ann Gallo.