

# MEETING MINUTES

Name of Foundation: Lee Charter Foundation, Inc.  
 Board Meeting: April 23, 2010

School(s): Bonita Springs Charter School Gateway Intermediate Charter School  
 Cape Coral Charter School Gateway Charter High School  
 Gateway Charter School Six Mile Charter Academy

*The minutes of Sunshine Law meetings need not be verbatim transcripts of the meeting. These minutes are a brief summary of the events of the meeting.*

Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:
04.23.10			TBD	TBD	M. Vecchione
<b>Meeting Location:</b>					
CSUSA, 6245 N Federal Hwy, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308					
<b>Attended by:</b>					
Mr. Ken Haiko, Chairman Mr. Dennis Clark, Vice Chairman			Ms. Debbie Von Behren, COO, CSUSA Mr. Richard Page, VP business Dev, CSUSA Mr. Mike Essik, Director of Finance, CSUSA Ms. Mary Vecchione, Governing Board Liaison, CSUSA Ms. Deb Tracy, Principal, BSCS Dr. Deborah Nauss, Principal, CCCS Ms. Sara Abraham, Principal, GCS Ms. Margaret LaPointe, GCHS Ms. Pattie Duffy, Principal, SMCA		
Absent: Colonel Thomas Wheeler, Treasurer					
<b>Highlights:</b>					

## CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting commenced at 9:04 a.m. with a Call to Order by Chairman Haiko. Roll call was taken and quorum was established.

## I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Haiko asked the Board to review the minutes from the March 5<sup>th</sup> and March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 Governing Board meeting and note any corrections or comments. The minutes stand.

Motion made by Mr. Clark with a second by Mr. Haiko to approve the minutes from the March 5, 2010 Board of Director's meeting for the Lee Charter Foundation, Inc. The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. Clark with a second by Mr. Haiko to approve the Governing Board minutes from the March 23, 2010 Board of Director's meeting for the Lee Charter Foundation, Inc. The motion was approved unanimously.

## II. SCHOOL REPORT

### Bonita Springs Charter School

- Ms. Tracy reported enrollment of 1257 students with a budgeted enrollment of 1307. All staffing positions are currently full.
- Ms. Tracy discussed SAC meeting and professional development topics, which were Kagan Strategies; FCAT Strategies; ASCD Conference Teach Backs; and Job Fair Teacher Recruitment Assessment.

- In addition, she reported on numerous School, PTO, and Community activities.
- Currently 1113 students have recommitted for the next school year and 231 applications have been submitted.

#### Cape Coral Charter School

- Dr. Nauss reported enrollment of 497 students with a budgeted enrollment of 587. All staffing positions are currently full.
- Staff development included topics on FCAT Prep and Master Teacher topics. Curriculum Cadre participants are working on units of study.
- In addition, Dr. Nauss reported on numerous School, PTO, and Community activities.
- Tours have been provided for potential students for the next year.

#### Gateway Charter School

- Ms. Abraham reported on enrollment in the K-5 of 1001 students and 6-8 of 978 students, with a budgeted enrollment of 1991. Currently all staffing positions are full.
- The Leadership Team attended - ASCD Conference in San Antonio, TX. SAC meeting was discussed and PTO held an FCAT information meeting for the parents.
- Ms. Abraham noted numerous School, PTO, and Community activities.
- She reported that the school is fully enrolled for the next school year with a combination of recommitted students and new applicants.

#### Gateway Charter High School

- Ms. LaPointe reported for Mr. Roles. She indicated enrollment of 890 students with a budgeted enrollment of 962. New staffing positions include a new science teacher and a new math teacher.
- Leadership training included a SAC site review and 3 teachers attended AP training. Ms. Brown attended Leading Edge.
- Benchmark Four and FCAT testing has been completed.
- Ms. LaPointe reported on numerous School, PTO, and Community activities.
- Enrollment for next year is currently at 1057 students.

#### Six Mile Charter Academy

- Ms. Duffy reported on enrollment of 1006 students with a budgeted enrollment of 990. There are staff openings in MS Language Arts and a VPK Paraprofessional.
- Leading Edge and Leadership Training continues. Professional development topics have included FCAT Instructional Practices; response to Intervention; retention policy; and How Do We Administer the FCAT.
- Recommited students are currently at 948 with 12 new enrollment applications. Currently there is a wait list of 56 students.
- Ms. Duffy asked for approval on an additional out of field waiver.

Motion made by Mr. Clark with a second by Mr. Haiko to approve the Out of Field Waiver for Six Mile Charter Academy. Motion was approved unanimously.

### III. FINANCE

- None

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

Hillsborough Charter Application

- Chairman Haiko commented that a one year extension was submitted for the Hillsborough Charter. More time was needed for development purposes.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

SACS Accreditation

- Ms. Alesha Arscott spoke to the Board on CSUSA seeking network SACS accreditation. This would include all LEE Foundation Charter Schools that are not already accredited. She explained the benefits to the Schools and how the process would flow.
- Ms. Arscott asked the board for their support and approval for CSUSA to pursue SACS Accreditation through AdvancED on behalf of the Board and its Schools.

Motion made by Mr. Clark with a second by Mr. Haiko to approve and authorize that CSUSA pursue SACS Accreditation through AdvancEd on behalf of the Board and its Schools. Motion was approved unanimously.

**VI. OPEN FORUM**

- Ms. Vecchione will work with Chairman Haiko to find a date for the Annual Meeting and Election of Officers.
- It was also suggested that the Board hold a retreat/strategic planning session off-site to formulate growth initiatives for the Schools. More details will be discussed at the next meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Clark with a second by Mr. Haiko to adjourn the Lee Charter Foundation, Inc. Governing Board meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.



Ken Haiko, Chairman

Date: 6/18/10