



Einstein Charter Schools empowers all students to achieve financial well-being and embrace the power of choice through equitable educational experiences.

EGI Public Board Meeting Minutes

THE EINSTEIN GROUP, INC.
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New Orleans, Louisiana 70128

The Board of Trustees of The Einstein Group will hold its **EGI Public Board Meeting at 6:00 PM on Thursday, August 17, 2023.** The meeting will be held in person in the library at **Sherwood Forest Elementary (4801 Maid Marion Drive, New Orleans, LA. 70128)**

Topic: **EGI Public Board Meeting**

Time: 06:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Board Meeting Agenda

- 1) Call to Order @ 612pm
- 2) Roll Call
 - a) Raymond Delaney (P)
 - b) Drew Thompson (P)
 - c) Durrell Laurent (P)
 - d) Joe Rochelle (P)
 - e) Angela Vance (P)
 - f) Robbie Robertson (P)
 - g) Clarice Kirkland (P)
 - h) Maya Edwards (P)
 - i) Edwin Escobar (NP)
- 3) Adoption of June Public Meeting Minutes
 - a) Angela Motionied
 - b) Clarice seconde

Rayond Delaney motioned to amend the agenda moving item 6 to the top of the agenda
Angela Vance seconded the moment

Joe Rochelle motioned to appoint Mrs. Tara Johnson as CEO in alignment with her contract on file
Delaney seconded the motion
All in favor

DISCUSSION ITEMS;

- 1) Board Committee Report - Finance Committee
 - a) May Financials were presented; June financials will come once the Audit is finalized.
 - b) Forecasting 4 million dollar surplus (very healthy surplus for the year)
 - c) Financial Health is in good health

Question: Are there funds available for Marketing? Yes

When can we begin marketing efforts: Immediately

2) Academic Report - District Academics Updates

- a) Instruction and PD
- b) Curriculum & Culture
- c) Achievement Data
- d) Report Cards
- e) **VDLE Updates**
 - i) BOY diagnostics in progress
 - ii) Open House 9/12/23
 - iii) Teachers SLT are being rated
 - iv) PBIS underway for August & September
 - v) 1st Quarter Progress Reports 9/8/23
 - vi) Grandparents Day 9/8/23
 - vii) Interim #1 Assessments begin 9/25/23
- f) **Sherwood Forest Updates**
 - i) Introduction of new Sherwood Forest School leaders Dr. Christopher Mayes (Principal) and Terri Daigle (AP)
 - ii) PK- 5 students are taking BOY Diagnostics
 - iii) Open House 9/13/23 6pm-7pm
 - iv) Teachers SLT being rated
 - v) PBIS underway for August & September (attendance focused)
 - vi) 1st Qtr Progress Report Cards 9/8/23
 - vii) Interim #1 Assessments begin 9/25/23
- g) Einstein Middle
 - i) Scholars are completing BOY Diagnostics
 - ii) Closing of final evals uploaded in Compass
 - iii) 1st Quarter Progress Reports will be held on Aug. 25th
 - iv) Open House 9/13/23
- h) Sarah T. Reed
 - i) BOY diagnostics began 8/17
 - ii) College and Career Readiness (CNA, Electrician, Culinary, PreNursing, Engineering, Architecture, Construction)
 - iii) Dual Enrollment (SUNO, Delgado, Nunez)

Question from the board - Are schools in alignment with each other to help increase parent engagement
CEO communicates structures that are in place that fosters school leader engagement and alignment across all schools

Question: What are dual enrollment requirements?
17 on ACT and GPA

Are students able to finish with an Associates Degree?
With students starting in 10th grade, this is achievable and in partnership with Youth Force NOLA

Recommendation: look into Aviation Program, Process Technology Program

3) Finance Report - Monthly Financial Statements

- a) Balance sheet as of May 31, 2023 = total assets + liabilities = \$15,641.846
- b) Profit and Loss as of May 31, 2023 = \$5,578,729
- c) Fundraising balance as of May 31, 2023 = \$6,370.77
- d) Student activity Account Balance as of May 31, 2023 = \$131,720.53

4) Operations Report - Facilities and Operational Updates

- a) VDLE - NOLA-PS facilities walk-through completed 8/14/23
- b) Capital Products funded through NOLA-PS
 - i) VDLE - replacement roof covers
 - ii) Reed - replacement of boilers on the roof and replacement of 12 pairs of doors
- c) HVAC repairs underway at all schools

5) CEO Report - CEO Network Updates

- a) Academics
 - i) Introduce Mr. N. Bijou as Academic Lead ; Dr. Blair as Chief Academic Consultant
 - ii) Calendar and Assessments
 - iii) Professional Development
 - iv) Compliance

- (1) All teachers will have up-to-date evaluations
- (2) ECS has been removed out of all non-Compliance Corrective Actions
- v) Vanity is a pandemic
 - (1) Act 1
 - (a) Accountability
 - (b) Compliance
 - (c) Tenacity

Question from the Board: what measures are in place to remain in compliance

CEO is continuously communicating to leadership the importance of staying in compliance and following the regulations

- 6) Board of Directors Report- Board Communications

ACTION ITEMS:

- 1) Resolution 8-17-23-1: Approval of SY 23-23 EGI Public Board Meeting Calendar

Raymond Delaney motion to accept and amend the year corrections (January - June 2024) and immediately publish the edits
Angela Vance seconded the motion

Raymond Delaney motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:19pm

Durrell Laurent seconded the motion

Public comments can be submitted in-person via public comment card. Public comments submitted prior to the start of a particular meeting will be addressed. Public comments can only be made on action items listed in the meeting agenda and will be limited to a maximum of 2 minutes per individual.