

# **FSUS CHARTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES**

## **Workshop**

**Tuesday, April 9, 2024, 3:30 PM**

**FSUS Auditorium**

### Members Present

Carlos Villa, Chair; Darryl Marshall, Vice Chair; Dr. Rosezetta Bobo; Dr. Brandon Bowden; Jimmy Cole; Dr. Jimmie Davis; Gillian Gregory; Katie Perkins

### Members Absent

Sarah Chason; Dr. Toby Park-Gaghan

### Ex Officio Members Present

Dr. Stacy Chambers

### Staff and Guests Present

Megan Brink, Principal; Monica Broome, Director of Exceptional Student Education; Megan Crombie, Director of Research, Data and Learning; Jon Moyle, Board Counsel; Robert Prater, IT Director; Brad Rohrer, Chief Financial Officer; Kate Wasson, Board Clerk; Suzanne Wilkinson, Principal

### Call to Order

Chair Villa called the workshop to order at 3:40 PM and led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Visitors and Public Discussion

A parent addressed the board regarding the dismissal of her child from FSUS.

### Finance Committee Report

Mr. Rohrer presented the 3/31/24 budget summary and cash statement. Minor deficits in Instructional and Administration totaling \$12,640 will be cleared by the end of April. Approximately \$100K in FEFP expenses will be moved to grants. COVID era grants will be concluded by 9/30/24. The total cash-on-hand was \$1,448,258. Anticipated FEFP revenue totaled \$3,840,789. Encumbrances totaled \$3,891,050. The anticipated end of year balance is \$1,116,385. All auxiliary departments were in good standing.

Mr. Rohrer presented the proposed School Year 24-25 budget. He reminded the board this was a placeholder budget until actual revenue totals are received from the state. A revised budget based on actual revenues will be presented in August. The \$16.4M budget includes funding for an Assistant Athletic Director position to support Coach Robinson. Dr. Chambers noted the reduction in activity fee revenue reflected in the budget was due to the increase in the number of students receiving free/reduced lunch. She noted it may be necessary to increase the fee for next year.

Mr. Rohrer indicated the school's current audit firm, Purvis Gray, had been contracted for three years. Best practices dictate auditors are replaced every three years. Audit firm James Moore had been selected to replace Purvis Gray.

#### Policy Committee Report

Mr. Rohrer presented Policy 7.11, Cash Reserve, for third reading. The policy was accepted for third reading.

#### Attorney's Business

Mr. Moyle reported on a change in law regarding the percentage of members needed to allow the union to be certified to negotiate on the faculty's behalf moved from fifty to sixty. He indicated he was working with FSU to track that for FSUS.

Mr. Moyle updated the board on the grievance filed by a former FSUS teacher. He indicated the union had not yet decided if it would take the case.

#### Director's Business

Dr. Chambers offered the board a facilities update. The football bleachers, softball and baseball field stands will be installed at the end of the school year. A fundraising page is being launched for the auditorium to support noise-dampening efforts, microphones, and props. The elevator improvements are pending FSU's move to a new preferred vendor. The tennis court contract had been awarded and came in \$50K under budget. Purchase orders for the outside sound system, chiller, and STEAM lobby have been issued. Revised quotes for the roof replacement are being secured.

Dr. Chambers reported the school's custodian of 20 years, Mitchell Pope, had passed away unexpectedly. She indicated she would share the family's needs for support when received.

#### Other Business

Ms. Crombie reported the STEM NOLA will be held 5/18/24. This year's topic is boats and buoyancy.

The board requested a recap of how the sports and academic teams performed this school year. They also asked for regular updates on student accomplishments.

#### Adjournment

With no additional business, the workshop was adjourned at 4:56 PM.