

Minutes: Connections Education Center Meeting Board of Directors
Date: 9-27-18
Notetaker: Michelle Wolke/recorder
Attendees: Directors – Sonia Kay, Ellinor Siklossy, Jay Huebner, Tara Saltzman, Orlando Ortiz, Michael Kridel, Stephen Padula, and Scott Strochak
 Others – Debra Johnson, Jason Portman, Michelle Wolke, Alexandra Padula, Melissa Carman, Julie Charles, Elizabeth Keith, Pam Ludwick, Donna Stegall, Ellen White, Sara LeRoy, Jovany Brunet-Naranjo, Stephanie Tooker, Charleen Decort
Absent: Directors – None

Call To Order	Board Member: Sonia Kay	Time: 6:30 pm
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INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions were made Sonia welcomed everyone to the first Connection's Annual Meeting

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Notes: No Public Comments made at this Board Meeting

BOARD MINUTES

Topic Board Minutes **Presenter** Sonia Kay
Discussion Approval of Board Minutes from Board Meeting 8-23-18

Motion Made	Motion Second	Board Members In Favor	Board Members Opposed
Sonia	Michael	Unanimous	None

Notes: None

FY 18 Annual Report

Topic **FY18 Annual Report**
Discussion FY18 Annual Report

Presenter Multiple

Motion Made	Motion Second	Board Members In Favor	Board Members Opposed
Michael	Jay	Unanimous	None

Notes:

Number of students has gone from 21 to 35 to 54 and now at 64
 We are finalizing our 5-year Strategic Plan
 Starting with 3 Board Members and 8 now
 All the classrooms are finished and being used
 We are using Praxi School Information System.
 We are also working on a new Board Orientation Plan
 Last year we had a Board Retreat with staff representation

Donations: Receiving a \$25,000 donation from the Florida Panthers on October 20,2018 during a game. \$118,500 from Youth Services Department of Palm Beach County.

This year 100% of FTE money can cover payroll
 We have had great PR coverage
 We have a new Donor Software Program
 Sonia stated that Debi and Jason are totally dedicated to CECPB and are here almost 24/7

In House Curriculum - Pam Ludwick

Pam explained how the Unique Learning System and other Programs that are used in the school. Unique has age appropriate programs. Besides teaching reading skills and other academic skills, the programs help with testing skills. There has been a great improvement with the students. We are continuing with the same programs was used last year.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Topic **Treasurer's Report**
Discussion Review Monthly Financial Statements

Presenter Jason Portman

Motion Made	Motion Second	Board Members In Favor	Board Members Opposed
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Notes:

July 2018 financial reports were reviewed

FY18 Audit Approval

Topic FY18 Audit
Discussion FY18 Audit Approval

Presenter Michael Kridel

Motion Made	Motion Second	Board Members In Favor	Board Members Opposed
Sonia	Orlando	Unanimous	None

Notes:

Audit and Fund Analysis
Michael explained the results of the FY18 Audit.
We are doing much better than the previous year. With greater understanding of the Audit, this year shall be even better. Fund balances need to show growth.

FTE

Topic FTE / Out of Field Letters
Discussion FTE / Out of Field Letters Approval

Presenter Debra Johnson

Motion Made	Motion Second	Board Members In Favor	Board Members Opposed
Steve	Scott	Unanimous	None

Notes:

This is the week that the number of students is counted for the School District. Funding until the next FTE count in February is based on this period's enrollment

Debi explained the process in regard to the Out of Field Letters. The board is aware and approves the following teachers as Out of Field. Teachers' Letters will be sent to all students in each of these teachers' classrooms.

Sonia asked for a Motion to accept these teacher's letters

3 Teachers signed Out of Field Letters - Maria Ruggiero, Melissa Garcia, Mia Belsky

CALENDAR

	Next Board Meeting, September 26, 2018 at Padula, Bennardo, Levine LLP 9:30 am
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Call To Adjourn	Board Member: Sonia Kay	Time: 8:06 pm
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Minutes Approved:	Board Member: <i>Sonia F. Kay</i>	Date: <i>10/26/18</i>
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