**Draft Minutes ALCS BOT Meeting, Thursday, November 19, 2015**

Present: Dr. Norma Figueroa-Hurwitz, Ted Hurwitz, Michael Ansbro, Leena Varghese,

James Sander, Jaime Kennedy, Desiree LaFontaine, Dr. Robert Podhurst, Dr. Robert Blau, Lucas Doe

Meeting called to order at 6:15 PM by Chairman Michael Ansbro

I. Minutes of October 22, 2015 were approved as amended

II. Committee Reports

A. Finance Committee – Bob Blau

1. Revenues were up as a result of DOE rental assistance contribution and an increase in the number of students.

2. Increase in textbook and story book orders

3. Discussion on how best to invest our money

4. Lucas Doe will join the Finance Committee

B. Real Estate Committee – Ted Hurwitz

1. The Committee along with Norma and Leena went to see a large piece of property but decided that the area presented challenges and the price of the property was also high

2. The group revisited the property on 139th Street and felt in was a good investment in a less remote area of District 7. The asking price is 3.6 million

3. Motion was made for the Real Estate committee chair to negotiate for the property on 139th street for a purchase price up to 3.6 million–Motion passes.

4. We must hire a Real Estate lawyer and an architect to check zoning regulations.

5. Motion was made to spend up to $ 20,000 for a feasibility study by an architectural firm

C. Education Committee – Desiree LaFontaine

1. School Quality Report Snapshot was presented

2. Data gathered from parents, teachers, and students.

3. We had excellent academic results last school year based on the DOE annual progress report along with positive student and parent survey results

III. Board Membership

Dr. Norma Hurwitz was elected as a voting member of the Board of Trustees

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM

Next Meeting Thursday, December 17, 2015