

Maine Charter School Commission

June 7, 2016 Business Meeting minutes accepted as written by a Commission vote 7-5-16

Business Meeting Minutes – Maine Charter School Commission, June 7, 2016

I. Call to Order

Chair, Shelley Reed, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

II. Roll Call

The following members were present: Shelley Reed, Chair, Mike Wilhelm, John Bird, Jana Lapoint, Acting Vice Chair, Laurie Pendleton, and Nichi Farnham. Staff present: Bob Kautz, Executive Director; Gina Post, Director of Program Management. Also in attendance; Roger Brainerd, MACS, Judith Jones, MACS; Vicki Wallack, Maine School Management Association.

III. Adjustments to the Agenda

No adjustments to agenda

NOTE - New Business - previous agenda indicated HCA Special Director correction - MCA – Special Education Director Proposal

IV. Acceptance of Minutes

- A. Moved by Jana Lapoint; seconded by John Bird; and voted unanimously by those present to accept the May 3, 2016, Minutes as written.

V. New Business

- A. MCA – Special Education Director Proposal – Mike Wilhelm; they are in need of a Special Education Director. Who is doing the hiring, why manager versus director. Assurance that they will have the appropriate credentials. MCA will be doing the hiring and this will be from the South Portland Maine area and certified based on Maine DOE requirements.

Moved by Mike Wilhelm; seconded by Jana Lapoint; acknowledgement of MCA Special Education Director Proposal. Commission requests Maine Connections Academy follow up with periodic updates as to the effectiveness of the arrangement.

- B. MeVA – Advisor Position Outline - Mike Wilhelm; they lost their guidance counselor they are looking to fill a position that will provide orientation for new parents and students,

sharing knowledge right away with staff and parents about what MeVA is, coordinators with teachers, helping with tests, working on placement for students.

No motion necessary

VI. Public Comment

Roger Brainerd, MACS; brochure outlining a conference on June 30, 2016 regarding Innovation in Education. Baxter Academy received a grant. MeANS, and Cornville have also received grants.

Chair Reed attended the Baxter graduation to which there were 49 students that graduated.

VII. Strategic Planning Meeting

Strategic Planning notes attached as a separate document

VIII. Adjourn

No motion to adjourn was necessary as this was a workshop