APPROVED

Vertus High School

Minutes

Monthly Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday November 14, 2023 at 4:00 PM

Trustees Present
C. Gantt, D. Johnson, E. Gallina, J. O'Connell, M. Mandina, S. Ash, V. Van Voorhis

Trustees Absent
None

Ex Officio Members Present
J. Locey

Guests Present
A. Brisson, K. Barclay, L. Bennett, S. Campanelli, T. Hill

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

V. Van Voorhis called a meeting of the board of trustees of Vertus High School to order on Tuesday Nov 14, 2023 at 4:11 PM.

C.

Approve Minutes

C. Gantt made a motion to approve the minutes from Monthly Board Meeting on 10-17-23.
S. Ash seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Action Item Review Prior Month

II. Finance

A. Budget vs Actual & Cash Flow

B. Board Vote

E. Gallina made a motion to approve the alignment of the signatories with the documented financial policies and procedures. Based on our Financial Policies and Procedures document, our banking signatories will be designated as the CEO, Julie Locey; Board Chair, Victoria Van Voorhis; and Treasurer, Jack O'Connell.
D. Johnson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Board Vote

C. Gantt made a motion to to approve the addition of the COO as a signatory to the School Store account to accommodate a second card, not to be attached to the main operating account, to meet the needs of the school in the instance that the CEO is out of the building.
D. Johnson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. Discussion Items

A. Recruitment Update

B. Transgender Policy Draft

Transgender Policy Draft review has been tabled until the December meeting.

C. Complaint Resolution Vote

D. Johnson made a motion to to accept the Recommended Action Steps to mitigate complaints about the September 19, 2023 Formal Complaint and any other possible issues moving forward.
C. Gantt seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D.

Enrollment Policy Preferences

J. O'Connell made a motion to approve adding an enrollment preference for dependents of current employees, after siblings, ELL students, and residents of the city of Rochester, and before out-of-district students.
D. Johnson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
E. Gallina	Aye
D. Johnson	Aye
J. O'Connell	Aye
M. Mandina	Aye
V. Van Voorhis	Aye
C. Gantt	Abstain
S. Ash	Aye

IV. Committee Reporting

A. Board Resolution

D. Johnson made a motion to approve that the Vertus Charter School Board of Trustees, having conducted a thorough criminal history record check via fingerprinting which is deemed acceptable by NYSED, and having discovered no State or federal criminal history, or having provided information regarding such history to NYSED, if found, and having verified that any academic and/or professional credential or qualification presented by the proposed member is genuine, and having reviewed the application in its entirety, has voted to select Sylvia David-West as a member to its Board of Trustees, with a term expiring on January 31, 2027 pending approval by NYSED. The resolution approving Sylvia David-West is adopted upon NYSED's approval.
E. Gallina seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. Closing Items

A. New Action Item Review & Report Out

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
E. Gallina