

F.W. Parker Charter Essential School

Minutes

Governance Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday January 7, 2025 at 7:30 AM

Committee Members Present

B. Harrigan, F. Fernau (remote), J. Fredericksen (remote), M. Lindsey, N. Odekirk Hatlevig (remote), P. Gordon (remote)

Committee Members Absent

M. Edgar

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

M. Lindsey called a meeting of the Governance Committee of F.W. Parker Charter Essential School to order on Tuesday Jan 7, 2025 at 7:33 AM.

C. Approve Minutes

P. Gordon made a motion to approve the minutes from Governance Committee Meeting on 12-03-24.

J. Fredericksen seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Governance

A. Create and Implement Midyear Board Survey

Matt asked about format

Brian suggested using the charter associations survey

The group agreed and will ask trustees to take survey in advance of the February meeting and will have opportunity to reflect and discuss in February.

B. Recruitment Updates

Nicole has reached out to two individuals. One of whom is farther along.

Brian suggested that the individual talk with the chair of the facilities committee.

Julie connected with an alumni parent who is interested in helping Parker, but not a fit for this year

Nicole suggested would helping with Development be possible

Nicole suggested talking to Katrina about finding an alumnus who is an attorney.

C. Amendment to the Bylaws

Brian shared with the committee a plan to restructure Parker's leadership and noted it would require changes to the bylaws.

The committee identified that the bylaws currently say Principal and would need to add executive director as being hired by the Board.

Brian raised the question of faculty representation on the Board and whether the principal whether an executive director and principal would both serve ex officio with one additional faculty member.

Fletcher would like to discuss the implications further to ensure adequate representation of the faculty and staff and how that is balanced against administration on the board.

Brian and Pam will follow-up with the charter association about potential bylaw changes relative to the leadership restructure.

D. Items for future agendas

Brian shared the trustees would be engaging in some Development learning at the retreat.

The committee had no new reflections on hybrid participation.

III. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. Lindsey