APPROVED

F.W. Parker Charter Essential School

Minutes

Governance Committee Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday April 29, 2025 at 7:30 AM

Committee Members Present
B. Harrigan (remote), J. Fredericksen (remote), M. Lindsey, N. Odekirk Hatlevig (remote), P. Gordon (remote)

Committee Members Absent
F. Fernau, M. Edgar

Guests Present
K. Tedstone (remote)

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 Apr 29, 2025 at 7:34 AM.

C. Approve Minutes

J. Fredericksen made a motion to approve the minutes from Governance Committee Meeting on 04-01-25.
P. Gordon seconded the motion.
Pam noted she should be changed to Remote in the minutes.
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

M. Edgar	Absent
B. Harrigan	Aye
M. Lindsey	Aye

Roll Call

J. Fredericksen	Aye
P. Gordon	Aye
N. Odekirk Hatlevig	Aye
F. Fernau	Absent

II. Governance

A. Recruitment Updates

Brian asked what the committee believes are the needs of the Board, and he highlighted the need to shift toward members of our donor community. Julie said she thinks it is important to see what someone's commitment to the school is before asking them to be on the Board. Nicole agreed.

Pam noted that a case-by-case approach would be appropriate and that some members that have gone direct to the Board have worked out really well.

Katrina said that our Development consultant would say don't add anyone to your board that hasn't donated to the school.

Pam shared she is following up with whether a Board member may be rolling off after the meeting.

Nicole asked about the faculty member open seat, and Brian stated it is close but still in process.

Nicole inquired about the Board Clerk position. Nicole and Matt will follow up with an email asking for interest.

B. Recruitment strategy for next year

Brian inquired about the relationship between the Governance Committee and the Sizer Foundation Board. The committee agreed that a synergy between Parker and the Foundation is important, but there is no current practice of a relationship.

Nicole stated that the committees need to be robust to allow for more consistent vetting and involving Katrina from the start is important.

Nicole noted there has been significant success from "pop-up" committees. She asked about the Enrollment Committee's status. Pam stated the Enrollment committee has been very successful but will likely meet less frequently.

Katrina said that she is looking at who is someone who is enthusiastic and engaged when approached with an ask.

Julie shared about an individual who has been very engaged and highly involved from Parker's first year.

The committee briefly discussed the frequency that the Board meets, and Brian and Pam shared a wondering about whether Parker's Board might meet fewer times during the year.

C. Charter Association Board Survey

Pam shared that the Charter Association's availability is fairly extensive during the day. Nicole requested that we prioritize Nicole, Pam, Brian, and Matt's availability to attend and schedule the meeting to go over results as a Governance Committee meeting where other trustees can be invited to attend, as they are able.

Pam will follow up with a few dates and times to schedule the meeting.

D. Items for future agendas

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 8:45 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. Lindsey