

F.W. Parker Charter Essential School

Minutes

January DevComm Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday January 7, 2026 at 7:30 AM

This meeting will be virtual on Microsoft Teams at this link: <http://parker.school/developmentcommittee>.

Fundraising is a conscious process of building a community of donors who are invested in the success of your work, both financially and otherwise. -Paola Cubias

Committee Members Present

B. Harrigan (remote), D. Van Patten (remote), G. Tang (remote), J. Fredericksen (remote), J. Saxe (remote), K. Tedstone (remote), M. Beganski (remote), S. Cole (remote), S. Reinhorn (remote)

Committee Members Absent

B. Sweet, E. Gibbs Revelli, J. MacDonald, L. Acton, M. Cole, M. Kosinski-Collins

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

K. Tedstone called a meeting of the Development Committee of F.W. Parker Charter Essential School to order on Wednesday Jan 7, 2026 at 7:30 AM.

C. Approve Minutes

G. Tang made a motion to approve the minutes from November DevComm Meeting on 11-05-25.

J. Fredericksen seconded the motion.

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

II. Development 2024-2025

A. DevComm working groups update

Events:

Monique gave a brief synopsis of the November 5K and the group talked about their hopes for this event moving forward- more runners, adding to the event (a fair-like atmosphere), and getting the word out more. Overall, the feeling was very positive at the event.

The group then spent time talking about what we want the feeling to be at the June 5th Community Celebration at Sterling Street.

Thoughts-

- Should we have one raffle basket- maybe focusing on services
- Should we look for a match for the event
- How can we incorporate testimonials from recent graduates- or a graduate who is in a leadership role somewhere?
- Could we have a chalktalk/MadLibs kind of interactive experience for attendees?
- Focus on what does Parker mean to you
- Parker swag prizes for "challenges"- find and get to know 2/3 new people?

Alumni:

The group talked about the GOLD alumni event that is being held TODAY! There were 28 RSVPS and we are providing a program including socialization, lunch, a financial math "class", and a filmed interview portion.

We want to ask the attendees what they would like to see in future alumni events.

Parker Fund:

The group worked on the Parker Giving Days (the week of March 15th). We are hoping to have a match for this new initiative. Perhaps the match could come from our trustees?

B. Q4 Dashboard discussion

The group looked at the Q2 dashboard. Thoughts/reflections:

- Except for graduate families, each category is underperforming from last year
- Recurring gifts should be counted at 1 gift
- Add a section for major gifts
- In each constituency, what are the range and median gift amounts?
- Overall a nice look at the numbers and it gives a lot of information

C. Parker Giving Days

In earlier section

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 8:30 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
K. Tedstone