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Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC FOUNDING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE

AGENDA OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

Date and Time
Wednesday January 26, 2022 at 4:00 PM

Location
LSC Administrative Offices
117 North Main Street
Sumter, SC 29150

Google Map of Meeting Location

This meeting is held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act. A copy of the agenda has been made available to the local media & general public.

Mission: Liberty STEAM Charter (LSC) works to provide all students equal access to a world-class K-12 education in an academically rigorous & student-centered learning environment, creating graduates to be thoughtful & engaged citizens prepared to take on the leadership challenges of the 21st century.

Vision: In partnership with our families & the community, Liberty STEAM Charter (LSC) will provide interdisciplinary, real-world, personalized, and project-based learning experiences through a STEAM-based academic program where graduates become the next generation of leaders, employers, and employees who contribute to the economic well-being of their communities and families.

Committee Members Present
Cameron Chandler (remote), Khalil Graham (remote), Rodney Thompson (remote), Trevor Ivey (remote)

Committee Members Absent
None

Guests Present
Tyler Hamilton (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Rodney Thompson called a meeting of the Academic Committee Committee of Liberty STEAM Charter to order on Wednesday Jan 26, 2022 at 4:00 PM.

C. Invocation

Cammy Chandler provided an invocation.

D. Reading of the Mission Statement

Dr. Thompson read aloud the mission statement.

E. Reading of the Vision Statement

Dr. Khalil Graham read aloud the vision statement.

F. Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Trevor Ivey led the committee in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

G. Approve Today's Meeting Agenda

Cameron Chandler made a motion to approve the agenda as presented by the staff.
Rodney Thompson seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

H. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Rodney Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes from LSC FOUNDING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE on 11-18-21.
Cameron Chandler seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Academic Excellence

A. Review of Old Business

No old business was reviewed.

B. Review of New Business

- Summary of Key Points
  - Dr. Graham shared several data updates with committee members. KRA (Kindergarten Readiness Assessment) finished at 25% in readiness, which is almost an exact match with Sumter School District. Scholars will take another readiness assessment in 3rd grade.
  - By EOY, the majority of K scholars will be at 2 or more levels in reading and math. 1st-grade students will be at 3 or more levels in reading and math by EOY.
  - Every student's growth goals are set by MAP. MAP also sets EOY standards.
  - We are hitting our growth goals in reading in both grades
  - Teachers have an OCS for intervention for students who need additional help. Students who need additional help will get less time with Enrichment to further help their progress.
  - Intent to return forms completed and students are at 97% and staff is 92%
  - Overall, we are happy with the current levels of organizational health.
  - The Culture Interventionist is here to help with discipline with some disruptive students. KG and TI are doing more to work and train with the teachers when it comes to the discipline of the students so they are continuing to learn.
  - If 161 of currently enrolled students show up next year, we will have met our diversity goal of 65% minority students. We are not able to collect income data at this time.
  - K has 50 students on the waitlist and 1st and 2nd have roughly 35 students on the waitlist.
  - Calendar highlights – working since the end of October 2021 and presenting a proposal that is in 100% alignment with Sumter School District. Shortening school day by 30-minutes and the weekly early release days have been moved to Fridays. There is still the same number of school days accounted for in the proposed academic calendar.

III. Other Business

A. Agenda Items from Committee Members

No agenda items were brought forth for discussion during this portion of the agenda.

IV. Executive Session

A. Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters

Cameron Chandler made a motion to enter into executive session at 4:45 for the purposes of discussion of contractual and personnel matters.
Rodney Thompson seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. Action Related to Executive Session

A. Action from Executive Session

Rodney Thompson made a motion to return from executive session at 4:55 pm.
Cameron Chandler seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
Rodney Thompson made a motion to approve the staff's recommendation for the proposed 2022-23 academic calendar.
Cameron Chandler seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Steps

Committee members will present the staff's proposed academic calendar to the full board for approval at the monthly board meeting.

B. Good of the Order

No comments were made during this portion of the agenda.

C. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Trevor Ivey