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Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC FOUNDING BOARD OF DIRECTORS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

AGENDA OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

Date and Time

Friday February 18, 2022 at 10:00 AM

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

Ken Lee, Khalil Graham, Marion Newton, Steve Creech

Committee Members Absent

None

Guests Present

Trevor Ivey, Tyler Hamilton

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Khalil Graham called a meeting of the Development Committee of Liberty STEAM Charter to order on Friday Feb 18, 2022 at 10:00 AM.

C. Invocation

Steve Creech provided an invocation for the group.

D. Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Khalil Graham led the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

E. Reading of the Mission Statement

Mr. Creech read aloud the mission statement.

F. Reading of the Vision Statement

Dr. Graham read aloud the vision statement.

G. Approve Agenda

Steve Creech made a motion to approve the agenda as presented by the staff.

Ken Lee seconded the motion.

Both directors Ken Lee & Rev. Dr. Marion Newton provided their proxy vote to Mr. Creech.

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

H. Approve Meeting Minutes

Steve Creech made a motion to approve the minutes from LSC FOUNDING BOARD OF DIRECTORS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE on 01-27-22.

Marion Newton seconded the motion.

Both directors Ken Lee & Rev. Dr. Marion Newton provided their proxy vote to Mr. Creech.

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

II. Development

A. Unfinished Business from Previous Meeting

There was no unfinished business from the previous meeting.

B. New Business

- **Summary of Key Points**

- Looked at Aldersgate for our next site. Still need to figure out how many cars we can fit on the road. Need it to fit 400 cars.
- The classrooms at Aldersgate are very small yet we could make it work.
- There is a Growth Strategies meeting with CSGF next week, 2/24.
- We know what the ballpark cost will be for the new upcoming school building.
- Board members will vote on whether we will open with 4th grade or 6th grade. Cost is the exact same per enrollment.
- Numbers double in SY23-24 if we continue on the path that we are.
- The short-term risk with 4th grade is needing \$1M in the next year. Long term risk for 6th grade is that we will not have a building to put them in.
- If we drop from 30 kids to 25 kids per classroom, we would lose 17% of our revenue.
- If we lower the cost of teachers, the quality could be lower.
- Site for grades 2-8 will be one way LSC can increase its surplus. We need a surplus in the budget first in order to fully the desired educational model.

III. Other Business

A. Agenda Items from Committee Members

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

IV. Executive Session

A. Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters

Steve Creech made a motion to enter into executive session at 10:45 am for the purposes of discussion of contractual & personnel matters.

Marion Newton seconded the motion.

Both directors Ken Lee & Rev. Dr. Marion Newton provided their proxy vote to Mr. Creech.

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

V. Action Related to Executive Session

A. Action from Executive Session

Steve Creech made a motion to return from executive session at 10:56 am.

Ken Lee seconded the motion.

Both directors Ken Lee & Rev. Dr. Marion Newton provided their proxy vote to Mr. Creech.

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

No action was taken from executive session.

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Steps

- Final Action Items
 - Meagan Kulman needs to be on every committee invite moving forward to provide additional coordination on behalf of the Quixote Foundation.
- Board Recommendations
- Send a letter this month to Pilgrims for another \$25,000 donation. Trevor Ivey will create/send a letter for Pilgrims for \$100,000 in consideration of an additional Hometown Strong funding initiative. Trevor Ivey will follow up with Director Lee on how we can best present a proposal to the BD Foundation for possible funding.
- Look into International Paper, Caterpillar, etc. Large companies to help donate to LSC.
- Possibly get a grant writer to help us source additional grant funding opportunities.

B. Good of the Order

No additional information was provided during this portion of the agenda.

C. Adjourn Meeting

Steve Creech made a motion to adjourn the meeting with no additional action.

Ken Lee seconded the motion.

Both directors Ken Lee & Rev. Dr. Marion Newton provided their proxy vote to Mr. Creech.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tyler Hamilton