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## Liberty STEAM Charter

### Minutes

#### LSC FOUNDING BOARD OF DIRECTORS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

##### AGENDA OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

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**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](#)

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***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

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## **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