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Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

AGENDA OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

Date and Time

Thursday June 16, 2022 at 12:00 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, Jenny Knopf (remote), Khalil Graham (remote), Trevor Ivey

Committee Members Absent

None

Guests Present

Tyler Hamilton

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Cameron Chandler called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of Liberty STEAM Charter to order on Thursday Jun 16, 2022 at 12:00 PM.

C. Invocation

Jenny Knopf provided an invocation.

D. Reading of the Mission Statement

Cammy Chandler read aloud the mission statement.

E. Reading of the Vision Statement

Dr. Graham read aloud the vision statement.

F. Pledge of Allegiance

Cammy Chandler 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.
Jenny Knopf seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

H. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Cameron Chandler made a motion to approve the minutes from LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE on 04-29-22.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Academic Excellence

A. Review of Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

B. Review of New Business

• Summary of Key Points

- Dr. Ivey reviewed end-of-year MAP data, Org health, staffing, and plans for next year.
- 3 big data points that are the most equitable are: abilities at the beginning of the year (RIT), projected growth met, and growth percentile.
- Over 100% of projected growth met can sometimes mean it can be high due to exceptional teachers. Not only met but exceeded projected growth.
- Dr. Ivey reviewed the Spring reading scores for kindergarten and 1st grade. Spring math scores are stronger than reading.
- This is teacher-level data that has been reviewed. Data is mostly feedback and not a testament to who is a great teacher or not.
- Spring math scores are stronger than reading.
- When testing in the fall, we did not have any year-long data. We had a formula based on the projections we had.
- Requesting scores from the SSD to have some comparison data for LSC.
- LSC now has data for our returning students for next year. We currently have 50 students total who will need additional support over the summer (called summer PRIDE).
- Shasta Smith and Rashyra Smiling will be leading summer PRIDE.
- Summer PRIDE will be 8-2 pm for the week; July 18th-22nd.
- In fall, 65% of staff said it was GPTW and for Spring it is now 83%.
- LSC finished 2nd in the country compared to other charter schools in the country. We exceeded IDEA public schools (78%) and Uplift (71%).
- Dr. Ivey reviewed the GPTW survey data points. Our organizational goal is 85% and we are at 83%.
- The growth overall is really encouraging although we did not meet the goal.
- Parent satisfaction is very high and during a parent focus group, parents are very pleased and eager to help their children in the school. Many parents had solutions for LSC moving forward.
- LSC qualifies for 72k in staffing money for a school resource officer for safety concerns moving forward.
- LSC did some social-emotional learning with the students to see if they are happy at LSC.
- 7 children will be retained this school year. 4 parents appealed and LSC policy states that Mr. Logan can consult the Network Team and can be denied.
- Dr. Ivey shared the master schedule for next year which teachers are excited about.

- Talent update – needing 2 more TF to have one per classroom.

III. Other Business

A. Agenda Items from Committee Members

There were no agenda items presented.

IV. Executive Session

A. Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters

Cameron Chandler made a motion to enter into executive session at 1:05pm for the purposes of Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters.

Jenny Knopf seconded the motion.

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

V. Action Related to Executive Session

A. Action from Executive Session

Jenny Knopf made a motion to return from executive session at 1:10pm.

Cameron Chandler seconded the motion.

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

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Steps

- Final Action Items

- Dr. Ivey will meet with Tanya Peckham on 6/17 to discuss exactly how summer PRIDE will go.
- Meeting the week of 6/20 for comparison data for GPTW.
- Dr. Ivey to look into a way of children getting enrichment classes vs being pulled out for Academic intervention (possibly after-school clubs and activities).
- Dr. Ivey will reach out to SEL Tracy for social and emotional learning (Deanna Brown would be the best person to reach out for this).
- Tracking the progress of retained students for the following year. Could be a recurring action step next year.

- Board Recommendations

- Have parents understand what it means to be a part of the Liberty family and the expectations set out. Making clear the support as well and asking for help. Could be worthwhile in an OCS process.

B. Good of the Order

There was no discussion 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 1:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tyler Hamilton