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Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

AGENDA OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

Date and Time
Thursday August 25, 2022 at 11:00 AM

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

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

Dexter WJ Davis, Elayne Brunson (remote), Ken Lee, Marion Newton

Committee Members Absent
None

Ex Officio Members Present
Trevor Ivey

Guests Present
Meagan Kuhlman, Tiffany Rhodes

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Dexter WJ Davis called a meeting of the Development Committee Committee of Liberty STEAM Charter to order on Thursday Aug 25, 2022 at 11:01 AM.

C. Invocation

Marion Newton provided an invocation.

D. Pledge of Allegiance

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

E. Reading of the Mission Statement

Dr. Trevor Ivey read aloud the mission statement.

F. Reading of the Vision Statement

Ken Lee read aloud the vision statement.

G. Approve Agenda

Elayne Brunson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented by the staff.
Dexter WJ Davis seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

H. Approve Meeting Minutes

Ken Lee made a motion to approve the minutes from LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE on 06-21-22.
Marion Newton seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Development

A. Old Business from Previous Meeting

- LSC will acknowledge the Pilgrim's pride grant with a sign above the café, WBE's & Quixote foundation donations acknowledgment in the foyer.
- The board would like to set up this pitch to happen on a reoccurring schedule.
- The school has hired a part-time grant writer who created a platform to organize the grants to find and apply for grants that align with our mission and the timeline, hopefully unrestricted.

B. New Business

- Charter School Growth (CSGF)- cutting ties which results in a loss of funding
- NSVF- similar concerns as CSGF
- NSVF showed the highest growth on tests of all schools and the most participation
- POSSIP- 60% participation (highest to date), 95% satisfaction, leadership is following up with concerns (mostly or no's)
- LSC has responded to social media posts/concerns about PE outside with water and fans
- Million Word Challenge will kick off on Sept 16th with a celebration for each grade happening every hour on the hour.
- Looking at alternatives for site #2- preschool is back on the table (yr 24-25), adding only 3rd grade for 23-24. Add 2 more classrooms per grade, 150 per grade. There is a state funding difference by 50% for preschool
- Dr. Ivey provided an update on staff members and their current roles and responsibilities.
- Dr. Ivey informed the committee about the use of a new grant program that will help locate and identify grants that LSC is eligible to apply for.

III. Other Business

A. Agenda Items from Committee Members

Ken Lee provided an update about International Paper, grant pitches in the community and and Dexter Davis offered to work on finding grants and other financial opportunities for the academy.

IV. Executive Session

A. Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters

Ken Lee made a motion to enter into executive session for the purposes of Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters at 11:45am.
Dexter WJ Davis seconded the motion.

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

V. Action Related to Executive Session

A. Action from Executive Session

Elayne Brunson made a motion to return from executive session at 11:50am.
Dexter WJ Davis seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Steps

- Get together the pitch for Pilgrims Pride by Friday-Trevor
- Pitch to Frank by Friday for WBE (try for every 3 year donation)- Trevor
- McCloud Health Center get them added to the portal to see about grant (TI)
- Nine and Dine (Dexter)
- Tim Tebow will be in Sumter on 11/3- find a way to get him to LSC- Meagan
- MWC- kick off 9/16- 830-1130 get partners to record videos to encourage the children
- Ken would like time with Mable (CSGF)- understand the decision to cut ties- Zoom or Email. (TI)
- Board Recommendations
- Board needs to pursue all avenues for grants/donations- Ken will pursue Industrial avenue, Dexter will pursue matching grants.
- Work closely with the Financial Committee to allocate funds from grants and their budgets so funds are being used to the fullest potential.
- The committee wants to see more Quixote Club involvement from members – invited to Superman, special showing at the golf course

B. Good of the Order

No board members commented 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 11:58 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tiffany Rhodes