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## Liberty STEAM Charter

### Minutes

#### LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE

##### NOTIFICATION OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

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##### **Date and Time**

Thursday January 26, 2023 at 3:00 PM

##### **Location**

LSC Administrative Offices  
117 North Main Street  
Sumter, SC 29150

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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.

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##### **Committee Members Present**

Cameron Chandler, Jenny Knopf, Trevor Ivey

**Committee Members Absent**

*None*

**Guests Present**

Tiffany Rhodes

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Record Attendance**

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

Jenny Knopf called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of Liberty STEAM Charter to order on Thursday Jan 26, 2023 at 3:00 PM.

**C. Invocation**

Cameron Chandler provided an invocation.

**D. Reading of the Mission Statement**

Cammy Chandler read aloud the mission statement.

**E. Reading of the Vision Statement**

Dr. Ivey read aloud the vision statement.

**F. Pledge of Allegiance**

Jenny Knopf led the committee in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**G. Approve Today's Meeting Agenda**

Jenny Knopf made a motion to approve the agenda as presented by staff.

Cameron Chandler seconded the motion.

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

**H. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes**

Jenny Knopf made a motion to approve the minutes from LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE on 11-30-22.

Cameron Chandler seconded the motion.

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

**II. Academic Excellence**

**A.**

## **Review of Old Business**

Dr. Ivey spent time reviewing old business during this time.

## **B. Review of New Business**

- Dr. Ivey went over the proposed academic calendar and the proposed uniform changes for the 23-24 school year as well as the data that supports each of the proposals. The board members reviewed the proposed changes.
- Dr. Ivey gave an update regarding the preschool task force and how the funding will work as well as beginning the process for the architectural designing process for the preschool campus. The committee members also planned a tentative date of Thursday, 2/16 for the second preschool planning task force.
- Dr. Ivey gave an update regarding the hiring process for the primary and elementary campuses.
- Dr. Ivey reviewed the proposed salary schedule for the 23-24 school year.
- Dr. Ivey gave the committee members an update on the Strategic Planning Partner-Scope of Work and the impact that it will make on local charter schools.
- Dr. Ivey provided Interim Executive Directors Mid-Year Evaluation Results from Building Excellent Schools and shared with the committee members that his coach will share the findings during the board meeting on Monday the 30th.
- Dr. Ivey shared the findings from the parent's mid-year satisfaction survey and when over the areas of excellence and findings from the different categories of the survey as well as touching on the GPTW survey that will be closing this evening.
- Dr. Ivey gave an update on the invitational tour that took place at the beginning of January and the final one that will be taking place in April.
- Dr. Ivey gave the committee members an update on the upcoming Board of Directors elections that will take place in February for two elected seats and two appointed seats.

## **III. Executive Session**

### **A. Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters**

Jenny Knopf made a motion to enter into executive session for the purposes of Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters.

Cameron Chandler seconded the motion.

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

### **B. Purposes of Discussion for Negotiations Incident to Proposed Contractual Arrangements,**

Cameron Chandler made a motion to enter into executive session for the purposes of Discussion for Negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements.

Jenny Knopf seconded the motion.

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

#### **IV. Action Related to Executive Session**

##### **A. Action from Executive Session**

Cameron Chandler made a motion to return from executive session.

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

#### **V. Closing Items**

##### **A. Next Steps**

- The Academic Committee will make the recommendation to the board to approve the updated uniform policy for the Primary and Elementary Academies.
- The Academic Committee will make the recommendation to the board to approve the proposed the calendar for the 23-24 school year as well as the 24-25 school year as long as there are no major deviations from the Sumter School District calendar.
- The Academic Committee will make the recommendation to move forward with purchasing the bulk order uniform shirts for returning and incoming scholars for the 23-24 school year.

##### **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 4:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Tiffany Rhodes