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Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

NOTIFICATION OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

Date and Time

Wednesday April 26, 2023 at 8:30 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, Marion Newton

Committee Members Absent

Elayne Brunson

Guests Present

Michael Curtis, Tiffany Rhodes, Trevor Ivey (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Dexter WJ Davis called a meeting of the Development Committee of Liberty STEAM Charter to order on Wednesday Apr 26, 2023 at 8:30 AM.

C. Invocation

Rev. 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. Ivey read aloud the mission statement.

F. Reading of the Vision Statement

Mr. Davis read aloud the vision statement.

G. Approve Agenda

Dexter WJ Davis made a motion to approve the agenda as presented by the staff.

Marion Newton seconded the motion.

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

H. Approve Meeting Minutes

Dexter WJ Davis made a motion to approve the minutes from LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE on 03-22-23.

Marion Newton seconded the motion.

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

II. Development

A.

Old Business from Previous Meeting

- Dr. Ivey gave an update on all of the current grants that have been received to date as well as the ones that have been applied for.
- Dr. Ivey also gave an update on enrollment, demographics, and staffing updates for the 23-24 school year.

B. New Business

- Dr. Ivey gave an update on all current grants that have been awarded and received to date. We have received the Versacare Grant in the amount of \$10,000.
- The Development Committee discussed the use of each grant if they are awarded. One of the big usages will include summer school. Dr. Ivey explained how each scholar is chosen for the two week summer school program.
- Dr. Ivey shared the latest findings from the staff and parent Possip Report.
- Dr. Ivey shared the anticipated demographics for the coming 23-24 school year to be up two percent from last year.
- Dr. Ivey shared that Senator Scotts anticipated visit at the end of May. Some staff members were able to share the vision of Liberty with one of his staff members during Spring Break
- Mr. Shaw explained the vision for his newest endeavor called “Lunch & Learn”. This event will take place bi-weekly at the Primary Campus with members of the Sumter Community including Quixote Club being able to share classrooms, teachers and the vision of the school.
- Dr. Ivey shared the most recent Saturday Experience with the committee members. Finance 101 took place this past Saturday at the school with the help of Board Member Elayne Brunson.
- Mr. Davis shared with the members about a \$1,000 donation from Tallo.

III. Other Business

A. Agenda Items from Committee Members

- Dr. Ivey shared the success of Senator Scott's Visit over Spring Break.
- Dr. Ivey shared the success of the Saturday Finance 101 Family Class that Director Brunson helped with.
- South Sumter Partnership Opportunities- Guest Iven Sanders.
 - Mr. Sanders shared his vision to bring South Sumter over the bridge and to tie the communities together by creating service opportunities for scholars and their families.

IV. Executive Session

A. Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters

Dexter WJ Davis made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss contractual and personnel matters.

Marion Newton seconded the motion.

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

V. Action Related to Executive Session

A. Action from Executive Session

Dexter WJ Davis made a motion to return from executive session.

Marion Newton seconded the motion.

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

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Steps

- Dexter Davis will reach out to Casey Crawford about Liberty.
- Mr. Davis and Dr. Newton will reach out to Congressman Clyburn about coming to visit Liberty.
- Mr. Sanders proposed the idea of “Easels in the Park” as a Saturday Community Project serving about 20 scholars and families for art projects and building benches.
- The Development Committee will review the current By-Laws.

B. Good of the Order

- Dr. Ivey shared Welcome to Liberty with the committee members that is taking place on Saturday. They were all invited to attend.

C. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tiffany Rhodes