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Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

NOTIFICATION OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

Date and Time

Tuesday June 20, 2023 at 8:00 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 (remote), Elayne Brunson, Michael Curtis (remote)

Committee Members Absent

Marion Newton

Guests Present

Gifford Shaw, Tiffany Rhodes, Trevor Ivey

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 Tuesday Jun 20, 2023 at 8:00 AM.

C. Invocation

Dexter Davis 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. Dexter Davis read aloud the Vision Statement.

G. Approve Agenda

Ms. Brunson approved the agenda that was presented by the staff.

H. Approve Meeting Minutes

Dexter WJ Davis made a motion to approve the minutes from LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE on 05-17-23.

Elayne Brunson 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 current grants that have been awarded and received to date as well as the ones that have been rejected. Mr. Shaw and Dr. Ivey looked at each grant and the reason behind the rejection.
- Mr. Shaw provided the committee members with an update on the pre-k program. There are several financial concerns regarding the current plan. Mr. Shaw has engaged in several conversations with individuals about their thoughts regarding the current timeline and how we will need to move forward to meet that current timeline that is stated in LSC's Charter App.

B. New Business

- Dr. Ivey gave an update on the grant writer that we currently use. She has 2 months left in the contract. The Development Committee is going to research other opportunities moving forward. Ms. Brunson suggested the use of USC students as grant writers with the idea that they will be eager.
- Dr. Ivey gave a brief update on the budget, demographics, and enrollment for the 23-24 school year.
- Dr. Ivey and the Development Team discussed the Annual Report and some ideas from other sources to incorporate into the coming report that the Network Team is currently working on.

III. Other Business

A. Agenda Items from Committee Members

- Mr. Shaw gave an update about Congressman Clyburn. They anticipate a visit in August.

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.

Michael Curtis 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.

Elayne Brunson seconded the motion.

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

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Steps

- Dr. Ivey will create a list of development grants that have been awarded and rejected for the entire year.
- Dr. Ivey will create a comparison of the organizational goal for the year showing goals met and not met.

Board Recommendations

- The Development Committee engaged in a robust discussion around the current pre-k expansion plan and raised several financial concerns and would recommend that this go before the full board June's meeting.

B. Good of the Order

Dr. Ivey reminded all committee members of the board meeting taking place on Monday, the 26th starting at 5:30 p.m.

C. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tiffany Rhodes