



# Liberty STEAM Charter

# **Minutes**

# LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

NOTIFICATION OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

#### **Date and Time**

Thursday October 19, 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, Elayne Brunson, Heather Bass, Marion Newton

#### **Committee Members Absent**

None

#### **Guests Present**

Tiffany Rhodes (remote), 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 Thursday Oct 19, 2023 at 8:00 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

Heather Bass read aloud the mission statement.

# F. Reading of the Vision Statement

Elayne Brunson read aloud the vision statement.

# G. Approve Agenda

Dexter WJ Davis made a motion to approve the minutes from LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE on 09-15-23.

Elayne Brunson 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 GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE on 09-18-23.

Elayne Brunson seconded the motion.

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

# II. Development

# A. Old Business from Previous Meeting

- 1. Dr. Ivey provided an update on the status of the following grants.
  - 1. Versacare Grant Awarded (\$10,000)
  - 2. Current Grant Updates
    - 1. Dollar General Youth Literacy Grant (\$4,000-Waiting)
    - 2. Dollar General Summer Enrichment Grant (\$3,000- Rejected)
    - 3. Central Carolina Community Foundation Capacity Building Mini-Grant (\$5,000-Rejected)
    - 4. Resilia (\$500)
    - 5. McCarthey Dressman Education Foundation Grant (\$10,000-Enrichment)
    - McCarthey Dressman Education Foundation Grant (\$20,000-Academic)
    - 7. 23-24 Food and Vegetable Grant (\$10,000-waiting)
    - 8. SCDE Kitchen Start-Up Grant (\$25,000-Waiting)
    - 9. Sarah Jaffarian School Library Program Award (\$5,000-Waiting)
    - 10. ProLiteracy Opportunity Fund (\$6,000-Waiting)
- 2. New Grant Opportunities
  - 1. PLTW Launch Curriculum (\$13,900)
  - 2. Change Happens Foundation- STEM (\$ TBD)
  - 3. Voya Education Grant (Being Vetted)
  - 4. American Heart Association- PE Materials (\$3,000)
  - 5. Toshiba American Foundation Grant (\$1,000- Being Vetted)
  - 6. ALDI Cares Community Grant (\$5,000- Being Vetted)
- 3. Development Committee Composition
- 4. Other Relevant School Updates
  - 1. Updates from Preschool Taskforce
  - 2. 23-24 Enrollment Updates
  - 3. Site II Updates

# **B.** New Business

- Dr. Ivey gave an update on the following topics
  - All grants received and currently in progress or pending decision.
  - Ms. Durant's visit to the school was very successful. There is a three-minute video clip in its final stages of production. This clip will be used for grants and requests from national corporations and foundations.
  - Ms. DuRant met with Bloomberg last week and had a meeting with their executive who heads their education interest. They are hopeful for some financial support within the next two years.

• An update regarding current ADA, updates to Site II, as well as Task forces that have been busy since the start of the new school year.

#### III. Other Business

# A. Agenda Items from Committee Members

Dr. Ivey gave an update on Mr. Shaw's' most recent development touchpoints.

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- The Quixote Ambassadors had their first meeting. 15/20 of the ambassadors were present at the meeting coming from Greenville, Charlotte, Columbia, Sumter, and Charleston. They were challenged to raise 4.5 million dollars over the next two years.
- A golf tournament is being planned for March 2024 with the hopes to raise approximately \$25,000.

#### IV. Executive Session

## A. Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters

There were no topics for Executive Session

### V. Action Related to Executive Session

#### A. Action from Executive Session

None at this time.

# VI. Closing Items

## A. Next Steps

None at this time.

# B. Good of the Order

None at this time.

# 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, Trevor Ivey