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## Liberty STEAM Charter

### Minutes

#### LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

##### NOTIFICATION OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

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#### **Date and Time**

Thursday October 19, 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, Heather Bass, Jenny Knopf, Trevor Ivey

**Committee Members Absent**

*None*

**Guests Present**

Tiffany Rhodes (remote)

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Record Attendance**

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

Cameron Chandler called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of Liberty STEAM Charter to order on Thursday Oct 19, 2023 at 3:00 PM.

**C. Invocation**

Ms. Chandler provided an invocation.

**D. Reading of the Mission Statement**

Ms. Chandler led the Mission Statement.

**E. Reading of the Vision Statement**

Dr. Ivey read aloud the Vision Statement.

**F. Pledge of Allegiance**

Ms. Knopf recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Trevor Ivey made a motion to approve the agenda presented by staff.

Heather Bass seconded the motion.

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

**H. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes**

Cameron Chandler made a motion to approve the minutes from LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC COMMITTEE on 09-15-23.

Jenny Knopf seconded the motion.

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

**II. Academic Excellence**

**A.**

## **Review of Old Business**

Dr. Ivey reviewed the following information with committee members.

1. Scholar Attendance Updates
2. Site 2 Facility Updates
3. 23-24 Enrollment Updates

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

- Dr. Ivey shared the current ADA and enrollment updates with the committee members.
  - The committee discussed the current vacancies and the plan moving forward to fill some of those spots at the EAC and PAC.
  - The EA has a current yearly ADA of 95%
  - The PA has a current yearly ADA of 93%
- Dr. Ivey reviewed the current standings of the 24-25 Lottery.
  - An update was provided on current recruitment efforts and the number of applications that have been collected to date at each event.
  - We currently have 379 scholars in the Lottery for the 24-25 school year.
  - The NOC has planned a whole staff block walk for 10/27. This recruitment effort has been extremely successful in the past years and we hope to reach more members of the community this year to get us closer to the 2:1 application goal.
- Dr. Ivey updated the Academic Committee on the parent volunteer hours that have been completed.
  - PA families have completed a total of 869 hours
  - EA families have completed a total of 1,685 hours.
- The Academic Committee reviewed Gavin and Erin's Law.
- Enrollment is currently at 593/596 with twelve withdrawals since the tenth day of school. These vacancies have come from transportation issues and other families moving.
- Dr. Ivey shared the most recent Possip results from staff and parent engagement.
  - This most recent round resulted in 99% parent satisfaction.
- The Committee members discussed Site II.

## **III. Other Business**

### **A. Updates from Other Board Members**

No updates were provided by committee members.

## **IV. Executive Session**

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

Cameron Chandler made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss contractual and personnel matters.

Heather Bass 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 to discuss negotiations incident to propose contractual arrangements.

Heather Bass seconded the motion.

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

**V. Action Related to Executive Session**

**A. Action from Executive Session**

Cameron Chandler made a motion to return from executive session.

Jenny Knopf seconded the motion.

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

**VI. Closing Items**

**A. Next Steps**

The Academic Committee will recommend the approval of Gavin and Erin's Law as presented by Staff at the full board meeting on 10/23.

**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 4:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jenny Knopf