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Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

NOTIFICATION OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

Date and Time
Wednesday June 19, 2024 at 10:00 AM

Location
117 N. 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
Cameron Chandler, Jenny Knopf, Marion Newton, Trevor Ivey

Committee Members Absent
None

Guests Present
Tiffany Rhodes

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Jenny Knopf called a meeting of the Academic Committee Committee of Liberty STEAM Charter to order on Wednesday Jun 19, 2024 at 10:00 AM.

C. Invocation

Ms. Chandler provided an invocation.

D. Reading of the Mission Statement

Ms. Chandler read the mission statement.

E. Reading of the Vision Statement

Dr. Ivey read the vision statement.

F. Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Knopf led the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

G. Approve Today's Meeting Agenda

Ms. Knopf approved the agenda as presented by staff.

H. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Cameron Chandler made a motion to approve the minutes from LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC COMMITTEE on 05-15-24.
Marion Newton seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Academic Excellence

A. Review of Old Business

The committee members reviewed old business and past action steps.

B. Review of New Business

1. Dr. Ivey shared all hiring updates for the 24-25 SY.
2. The Committee members reviewed a number of Policies & Handbooks for the 24-25 SY.
    1. Grading Policy
    2. FY25 Budget
    3. FY25 Federal Program Allocation Budgets
    4. Final Org Chart for 24-25 SY and 25-26 SY
    5. SY24-25 Employee Handbook
    6. SY24-25 Scholar Handbook
    7. Board Meeting Schedule SY24-25
    8. Revised Performance Bonus Eligibility Rules for SY24-25
    9. FMLA & Sick Leave Accrual
    10. 24-25SY Insurance Policies

III. Other Business

A. Updates from Other Board Members

None at this time.

IV. Executive Session

A. Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters

Cameron Chandler made a motion to Enter into Executive Session for Discussion Regarding Contractual and Personnel Matters.
Jenny Knopf 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 Discussion for Negotiations Incident to Proposed Contractual Arrangements.
Marion Newton seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. Action Related to Executive Session

A. Action from Executive Session

1. The Academic Committee approved the operational & human resources board policy manual and will recommend it to the full board for approval.
2. The Academic Committee adopted the grading best practices manual that shows the lowest grade a scholar can earn in grades 2-5 is a 50 for quarters 1-3 and the earned grade for quarter 4 with the retake policy only applying for major assignments lower than a 60 and will recommend it to the full board for approval.
3. The Academic Committee approved the cell phone policy as presented and will recommend it to the full board for approval.

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Steps

None at this time.

B. Good of the Order

Dr. Ivey reminded the committee members about the board meeting on Monday at 5:30 at the Thompson Building.

C. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jenny Knopf