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Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE

NOTIFICATION OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

Date and Time

Wednesday August 21, 2024 at 1:00 PM

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

Cameron Chandler, Jenny Knopf, Marion Newton, Trevor Ivey

Committee Members Absent

None

Guests Present

Tiffany Rhodes (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Jenny Knopf called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of Liberty STEAM Charter to order on Wednesday Aug 21, 2024 at 1:00 PM.

C. Invocation

Cammy Chandler provided an invocation.

D. Reading of the Mission Statement

Cammy Chandler read aloud the LSC Mission Statement.

E. Reading of the Vision Statement

Dr. Ivey read aloud the LSC Vision Statement.

F. Pledge of Allegiance

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

G. Approve Today's Meeting Agenda

Jenny Knopf made a motion to approve the agenda as presented by staff.

Cameron Chandler 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 06-19-24.

Jenny Knopf seconded the motion.

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

II. Academic Excellence

A.

Review of Old Business

The committee members reviewed past action steps and confirmed that all were complete. Dr. Ivey updated the group on any lingering topics.

B. Review of New Business

- Dr. Ivey provided the committee members with the 10-day POSSIP results, and a 10-day enrollment update.
- The Committee members deeply studied the 24-25 scholar profile.
- The Academic Committee reviewed the extravaganza feedback from staff and families.
- Dr. Ivey provided the committee members with an update on the 24-25 Network Rally Cry.

III. Academic Presentations

A. 30-60-90 HMH Update

Ms. Carlisle provided the Academic Committee an update on the first 30 days of her role in her new position. She provided an in-depth analysis of data to include the comfortability of the teachers teaching HMH, and pulse checks that have been performed to date.

She gave an oversight of the next 60 days and changes that she will implement with the data that she has gathered to date.

Ms. Carlisle will give an overview of this information at the full board meeting on Monday.

B. 2024-25 Special Populations Initiatives

Ms. Pack and Ms. McAllister gave an update on the Special Populations Initiatives. They informed the board of the new hire that will provide PT to scholars, Ms. Brittany Beier. They provided the total number of scholars who are receiving special services at LSC with an in-depth analysis of hours and the plan to teach the whole scholar.

They also provided an update on the inclusion classrooms and any next steps that have been captured in the first weeks of school.

Ms. Pack has her own pillar for the Network Rally Cry this year and she shared their goals for the next couple of months and how they plan to achieve those goals.

C. Preliminary MAP Data from the EA

The committee members reviewed the preliminary MAP Data from the EA and discussed their plan to roll out tutoring and homework help club to make sure all scholars are receiving the additional help that is needed.

IV. Executive Session

A.

Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters

Jenny Knopf made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters.

Cameron Chandler seconded the motion.

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

B. Purposes of Discussion for Negotiations Incident to Proposed Contractual Arrangements,

Jenny Knopf made a motion to Also Discuss any 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

Cameron Chandler made a motion to Return from Executive Session.

Marion Newton seconded the motion.

No action needed at this time.

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

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Steps

1. Ms. Pack finds out a pulse check on inclusion classes to determine if classes are fairly balanced.
2. Ms. Carlisle aligns with the IC on the third grade 23-24 breakdown of liberty scholars by liberty relationship and score breakdown.
3. Ms. McAlister finds out what the SSD sped count is for comparison purposes.
4. Ms. Carlisle confirms the baseline universal screener from HMH satisfies NEW.
5. Ms. Carlisle schedules a school visit to Laurens 55 school district to observe HMH
6. Dr. Ivey will order additional headphones for Ms. Carlisle.

B. Good of the Order

Dr. Ivey reminded the committee members of the coming Board Meeting on Monday, 8/26 at 5:30 at the Elementary Academy.

C. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tiffany Rhodes