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Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

NOTIFICATION OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

Date and Time
Thursday September 19, 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 (remote), Jenny Knopf (remote), Marion Newton, Trevor Ivey

Committee Members Absent
None

Guests Present
Jane Hray, Kelli Carlisle, 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 Thursday Sep 19, 2024 at 1:00 PM.

C. Invocation

Ms. Chandler provided an invocation.

D. Reading of the Mission Statement

Ms. Chandler recited the LSC Mission Statement.

E. Reading of the Vision Statement

Dr. Ivey recited the LSC Vision Statement.

F. Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Knopf recited 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 EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE on 08-21-24.
Marion Newton seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Academic Excellence

A. Review of Old Business

The Academic Committee reviewed the past action steps and covered any lingering old information.

B. Review of New Business

- Dr. Ivey provided the committee members with the recent changes to enrollment with two scholars leaving and two new scholars that started in those vacants seats.
- Dr. Ivey brought the committee up to speed on a recent teacher vacancy and the plan moving forward.
- 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

The committee received a 30-60-90 day HMH Update

- Ms. Carlisle provided the Academic Committee with a recap of the first 30 days using the HMH curriculum. She has spent the first 30 days teaching along with the teachers and offering a helping hand with the lesson plans. She has modeled an HMH reading block lesson in the 2/6 of the kindergarten classrooms, 6/6 of the first grade classrooms, 4/6 of the second grade classrooms, 2/6 of the third grade classrooms, and 2/6 of the fourth grade classrooms. She recorded each of these lessons and shared them with all of the lead teachers in that grade level.
- Amira was introduced to the parents at the Primary Academy this past week during the Open House and will also be introduced to the Elementary Academy. Both campuses are going to integrate Amira at home with a fun 100 book reading challenge that will count towards the Million Word Reading Challenge.
- Dr. Ivey and Ms. Carlisle reviewed the Network Rally Cry- HMH Pillar. There are five parts to this pillar of the Rally Cry.

B. 2024-25 Gifted and Talented Program Update

They also received an presentation from Ms. Hray regarding the Gifted and Talented Program.

- 16% of the LSC population is being served in different aspects. They qualify for these services by their MAP scores. These scholars must have scored in the 94% percentile or higher of their grade levels. After October, the Iowa test scores and the CogAt scores will also be taken into consideration for data.
- Ms. Hray explained the different pathways to gifted identification. She also went into great detail regarding the challenges.

IV. Executive Session

A.

Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters

Executive Session was not needed during this committee meeting.

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

Executive Session was not needed during this committee meeting.

V. Action Related to Executive Session

A. Action from Executive Session

None at this time.

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Steps

1. Ms. Hray and Ms. Carlisle will get demographic breakdown for the scholar population being served in the school's GT program.
2. Ms. Carlisle will go back and crunch data to get a baseline Amira data update.
3. Dr. Ivey will check the status of the internet expansion at the EA.

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 2:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tiffany Rhodes