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Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE

NOTIFICATION OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

Date and Time
Friday November 22, 2024 at 8:15 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
Kelli Carlisle, LaQuanya Chambers, Tiffany Rhodes (remote)

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 Friday Nov 22, 2024 at 8:15 AM.

C. Invocation

Ms. Chandler provided an invocation.

D. Reading of the Mission Statement

Ms. Chandler read aloud the LSC Mission Statement.

E. Reading of the Vision Statement

Dr. Rev. Newton read aloud the LSC Vision Statement.

F. Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Knopf recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

G. Approve Today's Meeting Agenda

Cameron Chandler made a motion to approve the agenda as presented by staff.
Marion Newton 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 10-24-24.
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 past action steps and reviewed current enrollment numbers, along with an update regarding CSGF and the Network Rally Cry.

B. Review of New Business

- The Committee members sat down with Kelli Carlisle and they talked through all things HMH. They were able to discuss teachers concerns, Ms. Carlisle's concerns and also parent feedback that has been received to date. Now that Ms. Carlisle has passed her first 90 days with the curriculum, she is working diligently to find and create a schedule that allows her to address all concerns in a timely manner.
- Ms. Chambers was able to catch the committee members up on all things parent engagement. They discussed the past two PEACE Academies and the turn out from each event. She is gearing up to help with enrollment and work closely with two new staff members to tackle the enrollment period.
- The Academic Committee reviewed the Scholar Engagement Road Map and provided feedback. They are in full support on the roadmap and looking forward to the new processes being implemented to hold all parents accountable.
- The Academic Committee reviewed all of the family and staff feedback provided from the most recent POSSIP cycle.
- The Academic Committee reviewed the current feedback regarding LSC's proposed calendar options for the 25-26 school year.

III. Other Business

A. Updates from Other Board Members

During this time, the committee performed the 2nd reading of the Scholar Enrollment Policy.
Cameron Chandler made a motion to Approve the 2nd reading of the Revised Scholar Enrollment Policy.
Marion Newton seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Executive Session

A. Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters

Jenny Knopf made a motion to Enter into Executive Session for 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,

Cameron Chandler made a motion to Enter into Executive for the Purposes of Discussion for Negotiations Incident to Proposed Contractual Arrangements.
Jenny Knopf 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.
None at this time.
The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Steps

None at this time.

B. Good of the Order

Reminder about the 2025-26 Lottery that will take place at the board meeting on Monday, December 2nd.

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,
Jenny Knopf