

APPROVED



City on a Hill Charter Public School

Minutes

May 2024 Governance Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday May 14, 2024 at 4:00 PM

This meeting took place remotely pursuant to a supplemental budget bill which, among other things, extends the temporary provisions pertaining to the Open Meeting Law to March 31, 2025 signed into law by Governor Healey on March 29, 2023. The meeting was held via Zoom at <https://cityonahill-org.zoom.us/j/87237510633>.

Committee Members Present

Brooke Fincke (remote), Melisa Lemire (remote), Ted Gildea (remote)

Committee Members Absent

None

Guests Present

Nikia Davis (remote), Sonya Pratt (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Melisa Lemire called a meeting of the Governance Committee of City on a Hill Charter Public School to order on Tuesday May 14, 2024 at 4:13 PM.

C. Approve April 2024 Meeting Minutes

Ted Gildea made a motion to approve the minutes from April 2024 Governance Committee Meeting on 04-23-24.

Brooke Fincke seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Ted Gildea Aye

Melisa Lemire Aye

Brooke Fincke Aye

II. General School and Compliance Updates

A. General School and Compliance Updates

Melisa Lemire, Board Chair, directed the Committee's focus to General School and Compliance Updates. Sonya Pratt, Executive Director, provided end-of-year updates on MCAS, field day, prom, senior week, and graduation. Pratt noted that the Union Contract for the forthcoming year has been executed and conveyed information regarding a discrimination complaint filed with the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination (MCAD) by a former employee. She highlighted that the former employee has not lodged an appeal with either the Board or the union, indicating that no immediate actions are warranted from the Board. Pratt assured that she will provide updates to the Board as the process unfolds.

Additionally, Pratt shared updates regarding the sale of the building, indicating that the bidding process will commence soon. Ted Gildea, Committee Chair, offered his insights on the bidding process and deadlines, leveraging his real estate experience and offering his assistance during the proceedings. Pratt expressed her gratitude, stating she would notify the Foundation and was confident they would value his support. Pratt concluded by noting that the school closure is proceeding smoothly, with efforts concentrated on off boarding staff, finalizing IEPs for students, and preparing for the Director of Special Education's upcoming maternity leave.

III. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ted Gildea

Documents used during the meeting

None