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Libertas Academy Charter School

Minutes

Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday February 28, 2023 at 5:30 PM

Location

Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/5069946767?pwd=QXEvbzIHb0tYZWE4VHI6MCtrVFIGUT09>

Meeting ID: 506 994 6767

Password: 12345

Trustees Present

A. Seymour (remote), D. Barrows (remote), H. Zavala (remote), K. Diamond Kayiatos (remote), K. Stewart (remote), L. Davis (remote), N. Barker (remote), S. Lapolice (remote)

Trustees Absent

L. Flynn, L. Velez, P. Kkayego, S. Williams, T. Curtis

Ex Officio Members Present

M. Montero (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

M. Montero (remote)

Guests Present

David Guertin (remote), Jeffrey Gunther (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

K. Diamond Kayiatos called a meeting of the board of trustees of Libertas Academy Charter School to order on Tuesday Feb 28, 2023 at 5:34 PM.

Modesto introduced Board prospect, Jeffrey Gunther who works at Teach for America.

B. Board Chair Welcome

Kari thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting

C. Record Attendance and Guests

D. Approve Minutes : Jan Meeting

D. Barrows made a motion to approve the minutes from Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting on 01-17-23.

L. Davis seconded the motion.

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

E. Public Comment

II. Management Report

A. Management Report

Modesto highlighted key data points for the group:

- Enrollment - Attrition is a bit above school goal however nothing alarming. MM and team especially focusing on HS attrition. Reasoning for transfers : 1) culture fit 2) kids wanting bigger school . Some students also move out of state. Many times students do leave and come back
- Recruitment : tracking above goal for 6th & 7th grade ; progressing in 8th, 9th and 10th off track. Management of Recruitment is doing great being in community. Also have noticed the longer Libertas is around, the more people in community hear/know about it . MM further shared key recruitment items and dates coming up.
- Attendance :Very close to our goal! Winter was hard with kids out sick but recovering. Kids had make up days which took place last week over break.
- `GPA :There has been an increase in GPA for students. Close to goals. These GPA reports go out every week to team to track.
- Facilities : MM shared 3D rendering of "new home"! Meeting with developers bi-weekly. Will likely be able to share construction timeline by next meeting. Next phase will be doing foundation work.

- Capital Campaign - Done a great job securing gifts!

- FYIs :

100% board giving - Thank you!

Donor Prospect List - Keep people in mind!

Values Summit was held 2/10 = went well -excited to share values updates soon.

III. Committee Reports

A. Academic Achievement Committee

Nick led the group through AAC updates that MM did not cover in his earlier report -

- Mid -year assessments . There were a range of results and team is looking close at those on lower side . A lot of confidence for ELA . Math: A lot of improvements in 6th grade. Addressing 7th and 8th grade more aggressively. Science scores were solid! Overall in a B range but looking to get to A- range .

60% of upper academy students are participating in extra curricular. Looking to bump up to 80% .

B. Finance Committee

Sarah led the group through the Jan financials.

Everything is looking good. Team looking to reallocate some funds which is very proactive. The school is in a good spot financially

S. Lapolice made a motion to To approve the Jan Financials.

K. Stewart seconded the motion.

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

C. Development Committee

Kari updated the Board Development Committee work:

Wonderful fundraising progress . Thank you everyone on Board participating!

Community Event - Wonderful event! Great mix of students and people in the community. There was a student panel (very inspiring!), drum line performed! It was very special and successful.

David Guertin updated the Board on Capital Campaign:

Donate page on LACS website stating 740k has been raised. There will also be a campaign page on the website soon . 390k in pending grant requests. Will connect with Board members about various prospects they have to connect to LACS and this campaign. Overall looking very good!

D. Governance Committee

No one from GC was in attendance to report

E. ED Evaluation Committee

LD stated that the ED committee will meet next week and will have an update in March.

IV. Other Business

A. Remote Meeting Update & Vote

L. Davis made a motion to extend remote participation for the rest of the school year, and after July 1st, remote participation will be an option for members who are unable to attend the meeting in person.

D. Barrows seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

L. Flynn	Absent
H. Zavala	Absent
L. Davis	Aye
K. Diamond Kayiatos	Aye
K. Stewart	Aye
L. Velez	Absent
T. Curtis	Absent
D. Barrows	Aye
N. Barker	Aye
S. Lapolice	Aye
P. Kkayego	Absent
S. Williams	Absent
A. Seymour	Aye

V. Closing Items

A. Next meeting

our next meeting is scheduled for March 21st @ 5:30 via zoom .

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:24 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
K. Diamond Kayiatos