



# Libertas Academy Charter School

## Minutes

### Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Tuesday May 16, 2023 at 5:30 PM

**Location**

Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/5069946767?pwd=QXEvbzlHb0tYZWE4VHI6MCtrVFIGUT09>

Meeting ID: 506 994 6767

Password: 12345

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**Trustees Present**

A. Seymour (remote), H. Zavala (remote), J. Gunther (remote), K. Diamond Kayiatos (remote), K. Stewart (remote), L. Davis (remote), N. Barker (remote), P. Kkayego (remote), S. Lapolice (remote), S. Williams (remote), T. Curtis (remote)

**Trustees Absent**

D. Barrows, L. Flynn

**Ex Officio Members Present**

M. Montero (remote)

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**Non Voting Members Present**

M. Montero (remote)

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**I. Opening Items**

**A.**

### **Call the Meeting to Order**

H. Zavala called a meeting of the board of trustees of Libertas Academy Charter School to order on Tuesday May 16, 2023 at 5:30 PM.

### **B. Board Chair Welcome**

### **C. Record Attendance and Guests**

### **D. Approve Minutes : April Meeting**

H. Zavala made a motion to approve the minutes from Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting on 04-25-23.

P. Kkayego seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

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

### **E. Public Comment**

## **II. Management Report**

### **A. Management Report**

Modesto highlighted that there are 3 things to tackle today : Monthly management report update, Strategic plan & Core values documents to review prior to retreat,

Management update:

Modesto reporting from Alaska where he is at for his nephews graduation!

Key School Data:

Recruitment of new staff - over 80% of roles have been filled (100% lower acad, 90 percent upper !)

Student recruitment - on track for 6th and 7th, progressing 8-10th, off track 11th.

Attendance - close to 95% across board

MM highlighted GPAs across all grades stating GPA very important 11th grade w/ college applications.

Construction loan approved & will now see some major work happening! Still on track for July 1 2024 completion date.

FY24 budget will be presented at retreat in June for approval.

Strategic Plan:

New SP will build upon the existing strengths and improve overall programs:

Phase 1 - started in fall (sept-nov) Surveyed, staff , students families and pulled out key themes and met in focus groups

Phase 2 - Nov -Dec. MM synthesized details he repeatedly heard. Major themes: 1) Parents wanted post secondary transition plan. 2) Students aAchievement - making gains but room for growth 3) Teacher Retention - need to recruit, develop and retain "bomb" teachers. MM also heard there was a need to revamp old LACS values.

Phase 3 - Dec-April : Senior leadership team created goals and strategies and shared with stakeholders .

Phase 4 - April -September - Present final draft to stakeholders

Phase 5 - Report out on progress on a quarter basis

MM shared the drafted SP Vision Statement . the drafted SP "Themes" and specific goals to achieve these themes .

MM opened it up to the group for clarifying questions - asking whats is missing - what feels right?

LACS Values:

MM created the values prior to LACS opening doors. LACS is in a much difference place so needed to be updated. Stakeholders went to all day summit to draft updated values - (students, community leaders, staff). New values are meant to capture who LACS is and who LACS wants to be as a school for all involved with LACS (students, staff, board members etc):

Updated values :

Inclusive community, excellence in all efforts, our people matter, sprinkle joy, purse your best self, leave a legacy

### **III. Committee Reports**

#### **A. Academic Achievement Committee**

NB - updated group

AAC did not meet this past month as it was very close to last Board meeting.

All encouraging!

## **B. Finance Committee**

SL :

April Financials -

All looks good. Line of credit paid off! Talked about FY24 budget and will discuss at next meeting in more details before next meeting.

H. Zavala made a motion to Approve April Financials.

L. Davis seconded the motion.

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

### **Roll Call**

K. Diamond Kayiatos Aye

T. Curtis Aye

D. Barrows Absent

S. Williams Aye

N. Barker Aye

L. Flynn Absent

K. Stewart Aye

J. Gunther Aye

P. Kkayego Absent

L. Davis Aye

H. Zavala Aye

A. Seymour Aye

S. Lapolice Aye

## **C. Development Committee**

Kari -

1.1 million raised! 460k foundation requests outstanding.

Not holding Spring event - hard time of year and thus will refocus on smaller one on one tours . Kari asked group to think of their contacts to get into the school for tour.

Still need new DC members. Need Board to help with suggestions to join this committee. Please reach out if you have suggestions!

## **D. Governance Committee**

Hector-

Nothing new to report from last meeting. New potential trustees that the committee is speaking to.

## **E. ED Evaluation Committee**

No report this month.

#### **IV. Other Business**

##### **A. Board Diagnostic Survey Results**

Hector:

Please look at this report. Will be part of the discussion and training at Board retreat.

#### **V. Closing Items**

##### **A. Next meeting**

Retreat! June 23rd in person 830-12:30

##### **B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

H. Zavala