



# MCCPS Board of Trustees

# **Minutes**

# **Governance Committee Meeting**

#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday November 6, 2018 at 7:00 PM

#### Location

**MCCPS** 

## **Committee Members Present**

Cynthia Canavan, David Moore, Jeanne Smith, Kay O'Dwyer, Nichole Thompson, Pam Ferris, Paul Baker

#### **Committee Members Absent**

Christopher Riegle

## I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance and Guests

## B. Call the Meeting to Order

Nichole Thompson called a meeting of the Governance Committee of MCCPS Board of Trustees to order on Tuesday Nov 6, 2018 at 7:12 PM.

## C. Approve Minutes

Nichole Thompson made a motion to approve minutes from the Governance Committee Meeting on 10-02-18 Governance Committee Meeting on 10-02-18.

Pam Ferris seconded the motion.

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

#### II. Governance

## A. Board of Trustee Candidates - Update

Nichole Thompson reported to the Committee that Martin Trice withdrew his candidacy for the Board of Trustees but he would like to remain connected to the school. Due to his withdrawal, it was deemed unnecessary to further pursue with school counsel the question of Mr. Trice's potential conflict of interest as a Board member (per action item from October meeting).

The Committee discussed the pipeline of potential Board of Trustee candidates and the need to attract candidates with no conflict of interest to ensure that the Board has enough voting members. The Committee is especially interested in attracting community members and educators with no connection to the school, non-Marblehead parents and people passionate about charter schools. It was decided that any potential candidates with a conflict of interest should be encouraged to serve on Board committees. There was also some discussion on possible ways to source new candidates such as charter school events, DESE website, Salem State, etc.

The Committee discussed the voting status and terms of current Board members.

Nichole Thompson introduced the idea of hosting an open house with the hopes of attracting new members and a tentative date was set for January 15th at Superfine.

#### **B.** Board Meeting Update

Nichole Thompson updated the Committee regarding the 10/30 Board of Trustees meeting, including:

- Exhibition will take place on 11/19
- Board/Teacher event at Superfine add to next year calendar and send thank you.
- Succession plan was reviewed and discussed and will be put up for vote at the next meeting.
- HOS talked about her vision in anticipation of vote of contract renewal at upcoming 11/13 meeting.

The Committee discussed MCCPS enrollment status and teacher and student attrition.

<u>Action Item:</u> Nichole Thompson to request that the Board receive ongoing monthly data on teacher and student retention.

The Committee discussed fundraising.

<u>Action Item:</u> Jeanne Smith to ask the Treasurer how much has been raised this year and what the funds are used for. There should be records kept and shown to the Board at monthly meetings.

## **III. Other Business**

## A. Preparing for Upcoming Milestones

The Committee discussed any responsibilities it would have after the HOS contract renewal vote.

## **B.** Next Meeting

The next meeting was scheduled for 12/4.

## IV. 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 8:31 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Jeanne Smith