

SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL

Board of Trustees Meeting

Minutes of the 198th meeting held July 23, 2009 at 100 Longwater Circle, Norwell, MA.

Notice of this meeting was sent to appropriate governmental agencies and press, and was published in the "South Shore Charter Public School Update".

Trustees:

In attendance: Bob Gass (Chair), Jeffrey Seglin (Vice Chair), Kasundra Brown-Corbin, Miriam Brownwall, Paul Carberry, Deb Cerilli, Mac Haran (ex officio), Deidre Lamoureux, Jo Loughnane, Michael Maniscalco, Cheryl Peterson, Maggie Reardon (Student), Bill Smyth (Clerk), David Whitemyer

In absentia: Emily Merwin (ex officio), Mike Ryan, Brian Tyler (Treasurer)

Also in attendance:

Staff: Prudence Goodale (Interim Executive Director), Kristine Shipps (Business Manager), Jim Connolly (7-12 Principal), Ted Hirsch (K-6 Principal)

Bob Gass (Chair) called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: B. Smyth moved to approve the minutes to the 197th meeting held June 18, 2009 as amended. Seconded D. Whitemyer, motion carried unanimously.

Nomination of New Officers:

MOTION: M. Brownwall moved to accept the Slate of Officers as follows: Chair – Jeffrey Seglin; Vice Chair – Cheryl Peterson; Clerk – Bill Smyth; Treasurer – Brian Tyler. Seconded J. Loughnane, motion carried unanimously.

Transfer of Chair: J. Seglin thanked Bob Gass for his service as the Chair of the Board of Trustees.

Governance: B. Smyth reported

- Committee assignments will be completed and emailed to the Board.
- Committee Chair distributed amendment to the By Law book.
- Committee working on Board Orientation for newly elected members. Date will be announced.

Meeting Date for the 2009/2010 Year:

MOTION: M. Brownwall moved to accept the calendar of meeting dates as distributed. D. Lamoureux seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Finance Committee: C. Peterson reported

- Financials are included in the draft Annual Report.
- No update on any changes to State funding.

School & Academic Report:

Executive Director Report: Prudence Goodale reported.

- Reviewed the work that has been going on since the end of the school year. Annual Report, Renewal Documents, year end reporting, school cleaning, summer school.

MOTION: B. Smyth moved to accept the 2009-2010 Student Handbook as presented. C. Peterson seconded, motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: B. Gass moved to accept the 2009/2010 School Improvement Plan. B. Smyth seconded, motion carried unanimously with friendly amendment as noted.

MOTION: B. Gass moved to accept the 2008-2009 Annual Report with the caveat that any edits be addressed to P. Goodale by members of the Board no later than 7/29/09. M. Brownwall seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Audience:

T. Hirsch thanked B. Gass for his service and council to the school during the past three years.

Faculty: No report

Parents Association: .D. Lamoureux

- Parents have organized a summer playgroup for the new Kindergarten class.
- A parent organized and many families attended a Brockton Rox game.

Student Report: M. Reardon reported

- Students have questions regarding summer reading. Dr. Connolly reported that the summer reading list/assignments are on the website.
- **Facilities Committee:** no report.

Development Committee: M. Brownwall reported

- Committee has wrapped up the year and will meet to discuss next year's plans.

Personnel: J. Loughnane

- Evaluation of Executive Director – evaluation tool was distributed. All members of the 2008-09 Board will be asked to participate (including former ex officio and student). The Evaluation Tool will be distributed by email to the members to participate and are asked to respond by 7/31/09. Once completed to results will be brought forward at an open Board meeting.

MOTION: B. Smyth moved to accept the Evaluation Tool as distributed. K. Brown-Corbin seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Discussion: Charter Renewal

- Distributed the approved Mission Statement with accompany descriptive paragraphs and the Draft five year Accountability Plan. The Accountability Committee met several times and is recommending the plan be accepted by the Board.

MOTION: B. Brownwall moved to accept the Accountability Plan as presented. B. Smyth seconded, motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: B. Smyth to adjourn the meeting. M. Brownwall seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38pm

Respectfully submitted:

Bill Smyth, Clerk
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