

SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL

Board of Trustees Meeting

Minutes of the 210th meeting held October 21, 2010 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: Jeffrey Seglin (Chair), Cheryl Peterson (Vice Chair), Paul Carberry (Clerk), Deb Cerilli, Heather Dans, Bob Gass, Mac Haran (ex officio), Jo Loughnane, Michael Maniscalco, Emily Merwin (ex officio), Kolin Perry (Student), Jean Philogene, Michael Ryan, David Whitemeyer

In absentia: Brian Tyler (Treasurer)

Also in attendance:

Staff: Alicia Savage (Executive Director), Kristine Shipp (Business Manager)
John Buckley (Alexander, Aronson, Finning & Co., P.C.), Kerry Benjamin and Karen Boyle (Parents)

Jeffrey Seglin (Chair) called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Approval of minutes:

MOTION: David Whitemeyer wanted to make a correction under Facilities – Roof Update: He wanted it to say – Architects submitted the 95% drawing. Bob Gass motioned to approve with change to the minutes of the 209th meeting held September 23, 2010. Seconded by C. Peterson, motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Finance

FY 10 Audit – John Buckley from Alexander, Aronson, Finning & Co., P.C. gave an overview of the audit.

MOTION: Cheryl Peterson to approve the FY10 audit report as presented. Bob Gass seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Bob Gass motioned that Commendations should be given to Kristine Shipp and her staff. Cheryl Peterson motioned to approve and Bob Gass seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

School & Academic Reports

School Report: Alicia Savage

- Thanked everyone who participated in the Harvest Run. Jeff Seglin mentioned he would get the link for the Harvest Run Pictures.
 - Announced that we have 11 Abigail Adams Scholars this year.
 - Presented and reviewed the MCAS Longitudinal Data Report 2003 – 2010.
 - Presented and reviewed the Race to the Top in Massachusetts Proposal.
- MOTION:** Bob Gass motioned to approve application for RTTT as explained and was seconded by Paul Carberry. Motion carried unanimously.
- Kolin Perry presented information regarding the Senior Class of 2012 Trip. Concerns and costs were discussed.

MOTION: Bob Gass motioned for the trip approval to be put on the November Board Meeting Agenda. Seconded by Heather Dans, motion carried unanimously.

- Angie Pepin presented the LED Conference Proposal. Heather Dans made recommendation for SSCPS to fund.

MOTION: Bob Gass motioned to put on Executive Director for approval, seconded by Cheryl Peterson, motion carried unanimously,

- Ted Hirsch discussed the loss of Angella Henry's son and how SSSPS wants to do everything to support her.
- Ted Hirsch also discussed that the Teacher Interns on Level I and III are working out tremendously. Discussed MCAS scores and the appeal for restructuring and what improvements SSCPS is making - small math groups and tutoring.

Committee Reports continued:

Student Report: Kolin Perry reported

- October 13, 2010 Sophomores and Juniors took PSAT.
- Elections for Student Board Positions were held today.
- Jackie Perry and Matthew McAteer are National Merit Scholars.

Audience: no comment

Faculty: Emily Merwin reported

Parents Association: Heather Dans reported

- October meeting was well attended.
- Next meeting Saturday, November 6, 2010 at 9 – 11 a.m.
- December meeting moved to 2nd Wednesday.

Development Committee: Paul Carberry reported

- Off to a good start. Good turnout for the Harvest Road Race.
- Committee met a few weeks ago. Trying to get more focused - want fundraising goals at Kristine's urging.

Facilities: David Whitemeyer reported

- Hazardous Material Test done came back negative. No asbestos or hazardous materials.
- Architect putting together final cost estimate.

Governance: Paul Carberry reported

- Committee has not met yet but the goal is identify new members for the board positions and look for members not associated with the school. Put together a wish-list of executives. Issue challenge to board members to give a name of a contact which would open the door to facilitate a conversation.

Personnel: Bob Gass reported

- Hopefully meeting on November 8, 2010.

MOTION: Bob Gass to adjourn the meeting. Debbie Cerilli seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:
Kathy Sobol