

SOUTH SHORE CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL

Board of Trustees Meeting

Minutes of the 235th meeting held May 16, 2013 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), David Whitemyer (Vice Chair), Brian Tyler (Treasurer), Maureen Hebert, Lisa Harvey Mone, Jackie Liebergott, Emily Merwin (ex officio), Cheryl Peterson, , Richard White

In absentia: Paul Carberry (Clerk), Chad Bruce, Deb Cerilli, Mac Haran, Michael Maniscalco, Christophe Teulet-Cote

Also in attendance:

Staff: Alicia Savage (Executive Director), Ted Hirsch (K-6 Principal), Kristine Shipp (Business Manager), Matthew Tondorf (Director of Learning Services), Ralph deGennaro (Director of Technology)

Audience: Gema Gray, Kerry Griffin, Jonathan Slater

Jeffrey Seglin (Chair) called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm

Board Business

MOTION: L. Harvey Mone moved to approve the minutes to the April 25, 2013 meeting. R. White seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Annual Meeting:

Slate of Officers beginning July 1, 2013:

Chair – David Whitemyer

Vice Chair – Christophe Teulet-Cote

Treasurer – Brian Tyler

Clerk – Maureen Hebert

MOTION: J. Liebergott moved to approve the Slate of Officers as proposed. B. Tyler, seconded, motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: M. Hebert moved to approve the recommendation of the Nominating Sub-Committee and re-appoint Richard White to a one year term and Christopher Teulet-Cote to a two year term. B. Tyler seconded, motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: M. Hebert moved to approve the recommendation of the Nominating Sub-Committee and appoint Deborah Callahan, Nancy Seglin, and Michael Weigensberg each to three year terms. B. Tyler seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Resume regular meeting.

School & Academic Report

School Report: Alicia Savage, Executive Director reported

- Thank you to the members of the Board for all their hard work and especially to Jackie Liebergott and Jonathan Slater for their work on the Strategic Plan. Thank you also to the remaining members of the committee for volunteering their time.
- Thank you to Brian Tyler, Cheryl Peterson, and Richard White on their work on the FY14 Budget.
- Thank you to Richard White and Debbie Cerilli for their work with the FASA negotiations.
- Enrollment stable

Strategic Plan Ad Hoc Committee – Jackie Liebergott reported

- Work still to be done working on mission statement. Agree on tightening language, should rigorous be added?
- Length of document may be too long
- Balance between keeping and adding new ideas
- Fundraising continues to be a struggle; establish consistent constituents to include both Boards, the School community, and the outside community.
- Tremendous amount of pride in the institution starting with the teachers. The parent and community contribution is valued.
- The draft documents has seven well developed goals
- Process should be done by the summer Board retreat. Invite Foundation members to retreat.
- Another meeting will be held with the committee.

Field Trip Ad Hoc: L. Harvey Mone, M. Hebert, D. Whitemyer.

MOTION: D. Whitemyer to approve the recommendation of the Field Trip Ad Hoc committee and approve two requests for a as presented. M. Hebert seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Ted Hirsch:

- Friday will be M. Haran's last day for the remainder of the school year as she begins a medical leave.
- K-6 will have few changes for next year. Additional time for Art and Music will be added to the schedule.
- Amy Vandenberg's Level I Pod along with Level IV's Helping hands have been working on additional gardening space.

Audience: no comment

Committee Reports:

Faculty: Emily Merwin

- Teachers are thrilled that MCAS testing is almost finished for the year.
- Faculty appreciated the PA luncheon and the breakfast and chocolate treats.
- Faculty/Staff have been discussion how the staff would like to to solicited for fundraising. One thoughts included \$1 for wearing jeans. Perhaps a presentation at the beginning of the year as to what will be asked for donating,

Finance: Brian Tyler

FY14 Budget Presentation

MOTION: B Tyler to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and approve the FY14 Budget as presented. C. Peterson seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Student Report: no report

Parents Association: Lisa Harvey Mone reported

- May 17 is last day to vote for PA officers. Tomorrow is last day for election
- Planning has begun for next year. Trainings will be held over summer.

Development Committee: Lisa Harvey Mone reported

- Development Committee met and discussed restructuring the Development Office.
- A third Phone-a-thon was held Tuesday, May 14. Callers received pledges of \$1,500.
- Distributed Development Office Update
- Distributed copy of article from the Patriot Ledger on the school's acts of kindness initiative.

Facilities: David Whitemyer

- Committee met with the architect. Discussed final plans and preliminary cost estimates for High School renovation.

- Facilities and Finance Committees met. Finance approved moving ahead. Public solicitation in June.

Governance: Maureen Hebert

Nothing further to report

Personnel: Richard White reported

- Negotiation process with FASA was collegial and productive.
- Agreed on a two year agreement and the Administration worked on workplace changes as recommended by the negotiations team.

MOTION: R. White to endorse the agreement as presented. L. Harvey Mone seconded, motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: B. Tyler moved to adjourn the regular meeting D. Whitemyer seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned at pm 8:53

Respectfully submitted: Pam Algera

Approved by: Paul K. Carberry, Clerk