



South Shore Charter Public School Board of Trustees

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday April 16, 2015 at 7:30 PM

Location

Minutes of the 251st meeting held April 16, 2015 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".

Board Members Present

Bill Smyth, Daniel Falkner, David Whitemyer, Edwin Rivera, Gregory Hanley, Jackie Liebergott, Joe Kay, Jonathan Slater, Maureen Hebert, Nancy Seglin, Steve Hillson

Board Members Absent

Leslie Alden, Michael O'Malley, Van Harting

Non Voting Members Present

Alicia Savage

Guests Present

Kristine Bingham, Pam Algera

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

David Whitemyer called a meeting of the board of trustees of South Shore Charter Public School Board of Trustees to order on Thursday Apr 16, 2015 @ 7:42 PM.

C.Approve Minutes

S. Hillson made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 03-19-15.

Bill Smyth seconded the motion.

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

II. Executive Director Report

A.State of the School

Sad news to report of the passing of Karen Yelin. Karen was a teacher at SSCPS for many years before retiring in 2012. The loss is deeply felt by the community. The family is establishing a scholarship fund that will be managed by the foundation. Details to follow.

Student Achievement: The Senior classes are winding down with Final Exams the 1st week of May. Senior debates will be held April 29 - May 1 and are open to the public. Then the Seniors will be on their internships for three weeks before graduation on June 6, 2015.

The first round of PARCC and ELA MCAS testing is just about complete. The next round will begin in May and continue into early June.

Charter Renewal - On May 4 in Marblehead a ceremony will be held to present documentation to schools who have been renewed. Also a celebration for the schools that are in their 20th year. Also the Mass Public Charter School Association is hosting a 20th Anniversary Gala on October 24, 2015 at the Park Plaza in Boston.

B.Parent Satisfaction Survey

Reviewed and discussed the results of the Annual Parent Survey. SSCPS received 126 surveys which is 1/3 of the parent population.

C.Superintendent Summative Evaluation

Reviewed the draft evaluation tool and requested feedback by May 8, 2015. S. Hillson and A. Savage will work on a final evaluation tool which will be distributed as a online survey for Board members to complete.

III. Ad Hoc Expansion Exploration

A.Committee Update

Update from committee. D. Falkner and E. Rivera are working together to compile financial scenarios with ratios including staffing, program, building costs. Proposal to be presented at the May meeting.

IV. Ad Hoc Field Trip

A.Approval of one out-of-state field trip.

M. Hebert made a motion to approve the 10th grade field trip to the Newport RI mansions.

Edwin Rivera seconded the motion.

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

V. Development

A.Update

The May 1st Spring Fling is sold out.

VI. Faculty

A.Update

Nothing new to report.

VII. Finance

A.Review current FY15 SSCPS Financial Statements

E. Rivera made a motion to approve the current FY15 financials as presented.

Bill Smyth seconded the motion.

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

Reviewed the current financials and SSCPS is in strong financial shape with current projection of \$148,000 profit with net profit income of \$237,000.

B.FY16 Budget Update

Committee continues to work on the FY16 Budget in preparation for the presentation at the May 2015 meeting for vote.

C.FY15 Q3 DESE Tuition Projections

D.SSCEF & SSCPS Amended Lease Agreement

Board to review the amended lease documents for vote at the May 2015 meeting.

VIII. Governance

A.Committee Update

B.Review Board candidates for vote at the May meeting

Bethany Glass and Richard Levitt are being nominated as candidates for the Board to be voted on at the May 2015 meeting. A survey will be distributed to the SSCPS community for feed back before the May meeting.

IX. Parents Association

A.Update from the Parents Association

Meal Train has been set up for the Demaggio family; SSCPS is a drop off site for the meals. At the last PA meeting some discussion of students and staffing on testing days. Parents also would like to work on better communication especially with new families. Officers elections are being held.

X. Students

A.Update

No report.

XI. Personnel

A.Committee Update

B.FASA Negotiation Agreement

Personnel Committee has reached an agreement with FASA.

B. Smyth made a motion to accept the negotiated salary and benefit proposal as presented for faculty, staff, and senior staff.
Jackie Liebergott seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C.Update from MCPSA regarding Non-MTRS Eligible Employees access to the State Retirement System.

Reviewed the update from the Massachusetts Public Charter School Association's attorney.

XII. Other Business

A.Collaboration

Potential partnership and collaboration with Qunicy College. SS Work Investment Board has federal money to employ students for summer work.

XIII. Closing Items

A.Adjourn Meeting

S. Hillson made a motion to to adjourn the meeting.
Bill Smyth seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
David Whitemyer