



South Shore Charter Public School Board of Trustees

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday February 11, 2016 at 7:30 PM

Location

South Shore Charter Public School

Agenda for the 259th meeting to be held February 11, 2016 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

Bethanie Glass, Daniel Falkner, David Whitemyer, Edwin Rivera, Joe Kay, Leslie Alden, Maria Sullivan, Nancy Seglin, Richard Levitt, Van Harting

Board Members Absent

Bill Smyth

Non Voting Members Present

Alicia Savage

Guests Present

Angie Pepin, Caitriona Hollowed, Chris Hall, Christine White, Daniella Manning, Deanna Walsh, Deb Paquette, Deidre Hall, Denise Demaggio, Denise Gallion, Denise McCabe MacDougall, Desmond Sullivan, George White, Heidi Aylward, Janet Daley, Kate Youngclaus, Kathleen Trask, Kathy Muse, Kendra Polefka, Kerry Griffin, Kiki Fluhr, Kim Dalton, Kristen Hamilton, Kristin Mullen, Kristine Bingham, Lillie Seeger, Linda Cook, Lori Childs, Mary Carter, Matthew Collins, Matthew Tondorf, Maura Carson, Michaelle

Ciambriello, Naomi Preble, Nour Rhabbane, Pam Algera, Pete Farrell, Renee Hearn, Russ Bowles, Tanner Demaggio, Ted Hirsch, Tina Cary, Tom Hamilton, Zoe Childs

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 Feb 11, 2016 @ 7:34 PM at South Shore Charter Public School.

C. Approve Minutes

J. Kay made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 12-10-15. Leslie Alden seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Executive Director Report

A. Executive Director Report

Student Achievement: SSCPS celebrates our art students as they are recognized the the Boston Globe Scholastic Art and Writing Awards. Student work will be on display in Boston.

Charter Amendment Expansion: SSCPS is thrilled that the DESE approved our expansion proposal on January 26, 2016. Thank you to the members of the Ad Hoc Expansion Committee for all their time and hard work.

Current Enrollment is 604.

B. Restraint Policy

M. Tondorf reviewed the Restraint Policy requirements and the revisions to reflect the new laws which were effective January 1, 2016. Staff trainings are complete. R. Levitt made a motion to approved the Restraint Policy as presented. Daniel Falkner seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. Development

A. Committee Update

A successful Annual Fund Phone-a-thon was held encouraging all to donate to support the program. The Annual Fund is currently over \$21,000. Movie day was held with student volunteers. Funds raised to support the Annual Fund. Save the date for the Annual Auction to be held May 6, 2016 at the River Club in Scituate.

IV. Ad Hoc Expansion Exploration

A. Committee Update

There were many members of the parent community present for the meeting. The Board Chair facilitated questions from the audience and solicited comments such as:

- How much parent involvement? Establish a Ad Hoc Parent Committee with a member of the Board to provide feedback to the full Board. The committee may have members from each level. How will members be chosen? All parents will have a voice whether on the committee or not. All will be welcome to attend meetings
- Questions for feedback: What is the identity of the school? Who are we? What is important to you? What should be preserved? What is the culture?
- Reviewed the projected growth plan numbers for next year. Goal to retain low class size while increasing enrollment. Keep student to teacher ratio low
- The expansion may allow for increase class offerings
- Who would be moving? That would depend on the facility. Goal is to keep younger students at current campus. New facility would ideally be close by to current location
- Budget? Working with banks on financing. Committed to current model
- SSCPS is looking at many options to house the expanded enrollment

V. Faculty

A.Update

Nothing new to report.

VI. Finance

A.FY16 Financials Update

Reviewed the current Financials. Tuition revenues are projected to be lower than anticipated. State numbers project a \$140,000 net loss due to lower state revenues. Using contingency to close gap.

E. Rivera made a motion to to approve the financial report as presented.

Daniel Falkner seconded the motion.

The motion did not carry.

VII. Governance

A.Committee Update

No report.

VIII. Parents Association

A.Update

Steve Hillson has resigned and the Parents Association will elect a new PA Chair on March 12.

The PA is working on revising the By Laws.

IX. Personnel

A.Committee Update

Nancy Seglin - Nothing new to report.

X. Student

A.Update

3rd Quarter just began.

National Honor Society hosted Blood Drive with over 26 pints collected.

Student Board hosted a successful Coffee House and Semi-Formal.

20 Students departing for Costa Rica

Seniors waiting on college acceptances and preparing for Senior Internships.

XI. 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 9:11 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Seglin

N. Seglin made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Maria Sullivan seconded the motion.

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