



South Shore Charter Public School Board of Trustees

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday November 12, 2015 at 7:30 PM

Location

South Shore Charter Public School

Minutes of the 257th meeting held November 12, 2015 at 100 Longwater Circle, Norwell, MA.

Board Members Present

Bethanie Glass, Bill Smyth, Daniel Falkner, David Whitemyer, Edwin Rivera, Joe Kay, Leslie Alden, Nancy Seglin, Richard Levitt, Steve Hillson, Van Harting

Board Members Absent

Non Voting Members Present

Alicia Savage

Guests Present

Denise McCabe, Desmond Sullivan, Ellen Gray, Kristine Bingham, Manica Son, Nicki Childs, Pam Alger, Tanner Demaggio, 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 Nov 12, 2015 @ 7:35 PM at South Shore Charter Public School.

C.Special Meeting to Amend By Laws

A Special Meeting was called at 7:35pm for the purpose of an amendment to the By Laws. The Governance Committee recommends amending the By Laws to reflect no fewer than 8 members and no more than 15.

B. Smyth made a motion to amend the By Laws that the Board of Trustees shall consist of no fewer than 8 members and no more than 15.

Steve Hillson seconded the motion.

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

B. Smyth made a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting and convene Regular Meeting at 7:39pm.

Steve Hillson seconded the motion.

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

D.Approve Minutes

B. Smyth made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 10-08-15.

Nancy Seglin seconded the motion.

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

II. Executive Director Report

A.Executive Director Report

Acknowledged student achievement. Commended scholars on PSAT Jeremy Atkins and Van Harting. Thirteen students are eligible for the John and Abigail Adams Scholarship based on their MCAS performance. SSCPS inducted nine students into the National Honor Society. Congratulations to all these students. Received memo from the DESE Commissioner regarding the recommendation on PARCC and MCAS. Reviewed the results from the spring 2015 PARCC test. Enrollment is at 598 students.

III. Ad Hoc Field Trip Committee

A.Level III & IV Trip to Ireland

S. Hillson made a motion to approve the Level III & Level IV April vacation trip to Ireland.

Van Harting seconded the motion.

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

B.Ski Club

S. Hillson made a motion to approve the six-week ski club to Ragged Mountain, Danbury, New Hampshire.

Bill Smyth seconded the motion.

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

IV. Development

A.Committee Update

The Harvest Run was successful and should clear \$12,000. The Annual Fund has been launched through email and the initial response is disappointing. Post card reminders are being sent. Apparel sales are going well and a second order has

been placed. Grandparents Day is coming and two parent photographers have volunteered for the event.

V. Ad Hoc Expansion Exploration

A.Committee Update

Reviewed the results of the survey sent to the Faculty/Staff for feedback on the expansion. A group from SSCPS was interviewed by the DESE Charter School office on the expansion proposal. DESE recommendation should be received in December.

VI. Finance

A.FY16 Financials Update

E. Rivera made a motion to approve the FY16 year-to-date financials as presented.

Bill Smyth seconded the motion.

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

B.FY15 DESE Year-End Financial Report

E. Rivera made a motion to to approve the re-formatted FY15 Audited Financials to be submitted to the DESE.

Daniel Falkner seconded the motion.

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

VII. Governance

A.Committee Update

Members of the Committee interviewed potential candidate, Maria Sullivan.

B. Smyth made a motion to accept the nomination of Maria Sullivan to the Board to fill a vacant term ending June 2017.

Daniel Falkner seconded the motion.

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

VIII. Parents Association

A.Update

A number of parents have requested when the Board agendas are posting for viewing. The Technology Committee is working with the School on the Library system. Expansion was discussed and the PA is requesting that a current parent be included on the Ad Hoc Expansion Committee.

IX. Personnel

A.Committee Update

Discussion continues for non-teaching benefits. Nothing new to report. Discussed the state law effective January 1, 2016 for sick time for part-time employees.

X. Student

A.Update

National Honor Society has grown and hosting activities. Students volunteering for the upcoming Open House. The Art and Music Workshops are planning for the

Winter Concert and the Fashion Show. Students in attendance at this meeting are interested in Governance and running for Student Board Representative.

XI. Closing Items

A Adjourn Meeting

S. Hillson made a motion to to adjourn.

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 9:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Seglin