

Evergreen Community Charter School Board of Trustees

Minutes

Thursday, April 25, 2024

As President Joe Spinelli was running late, the meeting was called to Order by Vice President Mary Ann Lewis at 7:00pm.

The Vice President led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Eric Noone, Board Secretary/Treasurer took attendance. Present were: Mary Ann Lewis, Sherline Eugene, Eric Noone, and Sandi Denniston. Mr. Spinelli was not present for roll call.

Advisory Board members were also all in attendance and included Jill Shoesmith, Nancy Lewis, and Steven Richard.

Motion was made by Sandi Denniston and seconded by Sherline Eugene to approve the April 25, 2024 agenda. Motion carried (4-0).

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:05 to discuss legal and/or personnel matters. After discussion, the Board reconvened the Regular Board Meeting. Mr. Spinelli arrived during the Executive Session. Regular meeting reconvened at 7:10.

Motion was made by Mary Ann Lewis and seconded by Sandi Denniston to hire Jamie Reeger as full time Physical Science/Chemistry/Math teacher for the 2024-25 school year. She will start August 1, 2024 at the rate of 33.52 per hour. Motion carried (5-0).

The meeting was attended by a visitor from the Pocono Mountain administration team, Wendy Frable. When invited to make comment, Ms. Frable noted that the new Charter Agreement was a result of a good working relationship between Evergreen and Pocono Mountain.

Evergreen Director, Jill Shoesmith reported on several items:

The Alpha Helpers club is sponsoring a Talent Show on 4/26/24 and a Multiultural Luncheon on 5/17/24.

Field trips to Philadelphia were scheduled for 8th and 12th grade to visit Independence Hall, Constitution Center, Bartrums Garden and the Mudder Museum. Mr. Richard and Mr. Speicher organized these trips.

Mr. Laubach led another field trip for the 11th grade to visit the American Museum of Natural History in NYC.

Jill then reviewed (point by point) the proposed Charter Renewal Agreement. This agreement would be valid for five years, 2024-2029.

Principal Steven Richard reported on the school climate survey and how the results will be used to support various steps Evergreen would take to insure mental health through the Grant.

He discussed the rubric for our Board President to evaluate Evergreen's school leaders (Principal and Director).

Mr. Richard also discussed the scheduling for our attorney to visit a meeting to explain and emphasize the requirements of the Sunshine Laws as they apply to our Board.

Under Items for Discussion and Possible Resolution, Joe Spinelli made a motion to approve the 2024-2029 Charter Renewal agreement which was seconded by Mary Ann Lewis. The motion passed (5-0).

After review, Mary Ann Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 28, 2024 meeting. Seconded by Sherline Eugene. Motion passed (5-0).

After review, Eric Noone made a motion to approve the Business and Financial Affairs which included payment to vendors, current financial statements, and grant spending. Motion was seconded by Sandi Denniston. Motion passed (5-0).

Sandi Denniston made the motion to approve the updated Enrollment Policy. Seconded by Eric Noone. Motion passed (5-0).

After review of the new policy regarding usage and storage of Emergency drug antidote, Sherline Eugene made a motion which was seconded by Sandi Denniston to approve the policy. Motion passed (5-0).

Due to a scheduling conflict, Eric Noone made a motion to advertise and move the May Board meeting to May 30, 2024. Motion was seconded by Mary Ann Lewis. Motion passed (5-0).

There were no other items for Discussion and Possible Resolution.

With no other items or concerns from members of the Board, motion was made by Eric Noone and seconded by Sherline Eugene to adjourn the meeting at 7:48pm. Motion passed (5-0).

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for May 30, 2024.