

Evergreen Community Charter School Board of Trustees
Minutes
Thursday, March 20, 2025

The meeting was called to order by President Eric Noone at 7:06pm.

Eric Noone led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Sherline Eugene, Board Secretary took attendance. Present were: Mary Ann Lewis, Sherline Eugene, Bryan Dunlap, and Eric Noone. Sandi Denniston was absent. Advisory Board members in attendance included Jill Shoesmith and Steven Richard.

Motion was made by Mary Ann Lewis and seconded by Bryan Dunlap to approve the March 20, 2025 agenda. Motion carried (4-0).

The Board did not enter into Executive Session. There were no visitors present and no correspondence from the public to discuss.

Evergreen Director, Jill Shoesmith reported on current activities:

April 7th is the countywide Spelling Championship held at Stroudsburg middle school. This year, Evergreen has 10 students competing in the final event.

Evergreen's school play is scheduled for April 11th and 12th. The play involves students from all the grade levels.

Senior high students are preparing for this year's Envirothon held on April 25th.

Also on April 25th is the Career Day Program at Northhampton Community College for our 10th and 11th grade students.

Our 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students went to Shawnee Playhouse to see a performance about students finding their way through middle school. Two Evergreen students were in the show.

Additional field trips coming up include: Phila. Independence Hall with National Constitution Center (8th grade). The seniors shared the bus ride with the 8th graders and visited Bartrum Gardens and the Mudder Museum.

Instructional Report:

Mr. Richard reported that the school year is moving quickly as we are set to begin the 4th Quarter. State testing will begin right after the Spring break. We are currently working on observations and conversations. Our next teacher training will focus on curriculum conversations and alignment.

In terms of school safety, we've scheduled a Safety Assessment with the State Police. Unfortunately they are backlogged and may take a year to come visit. We will need to start getting bids on larger projects covered by the Safety Grant. Board member, Bryan Dunlap, recommended getting in contact with a security company BEI out of Allentown. We will also seek input from Pocono Mountain Regional Police.

Under Items Requiring Board Action:

Maryann Lewis made the motion to accept the minutes from the February 2025 Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Bryan Dunlap and passed. (4-0)

Bryan Dunlap made a motion to approve payment to vendors, current financial statements, and grant spending. The motion was seconded by Eric Noone and passed (4-0).

Sherline Eugene made the motion to accept the resignation of Board member, Sandi Denniston for family reasons. The motion was seconded by Maryann Lewis. The Board members thank Sandi for her years of service to Evergreen. Candidates for the position will be reviewed next month.

With no other business before the Board, Eric Noone made the motion to adjourn at 7:45pm. The motion was seconded by Bryan Dunlap and passes (4-0).

The next meeting is scheduled for April 24th at 7pm.

