

Centre Learning Community Charter School
Minutes for the
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
July 19, 2012, 7:00pm at the School

Meeting opened at 7:06pm

Trustees in attendance – Gail Boldt, Brian Rowan, Patty Webb, Ron Boyles, Kim Bahnsen, Siobhan Donnelly, Ruth Hocker, Susan Motch (alternate)

2012-13 Incoming Alternate Trustee in attendance – Morgan Ilgen

2012-13 Nominated Trustee in attendance – Alison Carr-Chelman

Trustees not in attendance – Andrea Kennedy

Staff, parents, or other community members in attendance – none

OPENING ACTIVITIES

- Call to order, pledge of allegiance, introductions of new and returning trustees
- Review of June 2012 Board meeting Minutes; motion to approved Minutes as amended was made by Ron; Kim seconded; vote: 7-0-0
- No public comment

ESTABLISHING THE 2012-13 BOARD

Seating of additional new members

- Ali Carr-Chelman nominated by Gail Boldt to fill existing community trustee vacancy; motion to approve made by Brian; Ruth seconded; passed 7-0-0
- Morgan Ilgen nominated as staff alternate trustee; motion to approve made by Ron; Siobhan seconded; passed 7-0-0
- Swearing-in of new trustees: Ali Carr-Chelman and Morgan Ilgen

REPORTS

- School update – curriculum philosophy deliberations have been held among lead teaching staff, to be presented to full teaching staff for discussion on their return in August; school is at full enrollment
- Business manager/CEO report – Kosta absent; no report
- Presentation of CLC Annual Report: following review and discussion, motion was made to approve the report pending specified corrections, with board authority delegated to Gail as President to approve final corrected report on behalf of the Board via her signature; motioned by Ruth; Ron seconded; passed 9-0-0
- CLC Parents report – Kathy Morrow (liaison) absent; no report
- Student Council report – students not in session; no report
- Outreach/Publicity/Student Recruitment report – committee not yet constituted; no report
- Policies/Employment/Strategic Planning report –
 - Gail reported the committee met and planned goals & a meeting calendar; no additional members are being recruited at present; Gail is primary contact;
 - Review of internet policy & CEO and business manager job descriptions were postponed until Kosta's return

***** Kosta remains charged with distributing a final revision of both job descriptions and the internet polity to CLC staff before the next board meeting and requesting their comments.**

- Finance & Facilities report –
Ron reported the committee did not meet, pending Kosta's return, Ron is primary contact; one trustee / volunteer opening remains to be filled
- Charter Review report –
Brian reported the committee met and planned goals and a meeting calendar; no additional members are needed; Brian is primary contact; committee work will begin in fall
- Board Recruitment & Elections report –
Patty reported the committee met and planned goals & a meeting calendar; one additional volunteer member has been recruited; Patty is primary contact; first meeting will be in fall
- Board Training report –
Siobhan reported the committee did not meet, but will in August.

***** Patty, chair of the 2011-12 Board Development Committee, will work with the new committee during its transition; a training for new board members was requested and will be announced at the next regular Board meeting. All Board Manuals are requested in the CLC office for updating.*****

OLD BUSINESS

- Board's To Do Cycle Calendar – deferred until Kosta's return
- Report on proposed bills in PA legislature – 2 proposed PA charter school law reform bills were discussed and potential board responses were analyzed; Board action deferred pending further study; possible future steps were discussed, as follows:
 - An informational letter to CLC parents is an option in the fall, pending formulation of a specific Board action plan of response to progress of these bills in legislature;
 - Invitation to PA state legislators (senators and local representatives) to visit CLC in September is under consideration, as part of a plan to educate them on distinctions between cyber-charters and brick-and-mortar charter schools and demonstrate CLC's value.

***** Kosta Dussias, with support from Ron Boyles, remains charged with continuing to research these bills, reporting on any new developments, and making recommendations to the board at the August 2012 meeting; the Board is charged with studying the bills in preparation for the August meeting.**

NEW BUSINESS

The Board accepted, with regrets, the resignation of Ruth Hocker due to her relocation to Virginia to attend law school. Motioned by Ron; Patty seconded; passed 8-0-0

CLOSING COMMENTS, REFLECTIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday August 16th at 7:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Brian made the motion to adjourn at 8:35 pm; Ron second; passed 8-0-0

Respectfully submitted,
Patty Webb
CLC Board Secretary