

# **Learning Community Charter School**

# Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes Thursday, October 27, 2016 – 6:30 PM

#### I. Call to Order By Board Secretary - 6:35 pm

# II. Public Notice of Meeting/NJ Sunshine Law

The New Jersey Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right to the public to have advanced notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted on in accordance with N.J.S.A 10:4-6 et seq.

On the rules of this act, Learning Community Charter School has caused notice of this meeting by Publicizing the date, time and place, of the regularly scheduled meeting in the Public Notice Section of the Jersey Journal and distributed to Jersey City Public School District, Municipal Clerk and to the Public and Posted at the Learning Community Charter School located at 2495 John F. Kennedy Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07304 Formal action will take place at this meeting.

#### III. Roll Call

Voting Members	Role (Term Expires)	Present	Absent	LA/ED
Achal Agarwal	Parent Member (4/2018)		Χ	
Mace Bell	Parent Member (4/2019)		Х	
Tia Biasi	Parent Member (4/2017)	Х		
Bhavini Doshi	Community Member (4/2017)		Х	
Colin Dunn	Community Member (4/2017), Treasurer	Х		
Dr. Yasmin Meah	Parent Member (4/2018), President	Х		
Bertram Okpokwasili	Parent Member (4/2019)	X, 7:00 pm		
Sangeeta Ranade	Community Member (4/2019)		Χ	
Shelley Skinner	Founder Member (4/2019), Vice President	X		
Brian Uy	Parent Member (4/2017)	Х		
Tammy Walters	Parent Member (4/2019)	X		

NonVoting Members	Role	Present	Absent	LA/ED
Monya McCarty	Staff Member	Х		
Tracy Zent	Staff Member	Х		

#### **Also Present**

NonVoting	Role	Present	Absent	LA/ED
Colin Hogan	Head of School	Х		
Michael Falkowski	SBA/Board Secretary	Х		
James Laster	Assistant Head of School	Х		

Location:

## IV. Acceptance of Meeting Agenda

Motion for Learning Community Charter School, Board of Trustees to approve the Agenda for the **October 27, 2016** meeting.

<b>Voting Members</b>	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Achal Agarwal					Х	Bertram Okpokwasili					Х
Mace Bell					Х	Sangeeta Ranade					Х
Tia Biasi		Х				Shelley Skinner		Х			
Bhavini Doshi					Х	Brian Uy	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Х			
Colin Dunn	1 <sup>st</sup>	Χ				Tammy Walters		Х			
Dr. Yasmin Meah		Х									

#### V. Public Comments \*\*\*On TAPE\*\*\*\*\*

Paula Mahayosnand

Angela Glock

#### VI. Presentations

- a. Think Tank Charlotte Kreutz
- Ms. Kreutz provided a quick financial update through October, as well as an overview of the program.
- Mr. Okpokwasili arrived 7pm

## VII. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

a. Motion for Learning Community Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from **September 29, 2016**.

<b>Voting Members</b>	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Achal Agarwal					Х	Bertram Okpokwasili					Х
Mace Bell					Х	Sangeeta Ranade					Х
Tia Biasi		Х				Shelley Skinner	1 <sup>st</sup>	Χ			
Bhavini Doshi					Х	Brian Uy		Χ			
Colin Dunn		Х				Tammy Walters	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Χ			
Dr. Yasmin Meah		Х									

# VIII. Motions for Approval

#### 1. Finance

- a. <u>Bills List</u>: Approve Bills List from September 30, 2016 to October 27, 2016.
- b. <u>Payroll</u>: To approve the following payrolls:

September 30, 2016	\$201,630.79

October 14, 2016	\$204,812.62

# 2. Buildings & Grounds - NONE

#### 3. Personnel

- a. To approve the position change for **Melissa Megaro** from a 10-month Assistant Teacher to a 12-month Comptroller with an effective date of November 16, 2016, as a 12-month salary of \$48,000 (11/16/16 to 6/30/17 = \$30,000).
- b. To approve **Kristianna Campbell** as a long term substitute at \$150 a day replacing Katie Goral 8th grade ELA through January 2017.

## 4. Curriculum/Special Education

a. To approve the field trip for approximately 60-students to YMCA Camp Bernie in Port Murray, NJ from May 24 – 25, 2017, at a cost not to exceed \$6,000.

#### 5. Policy/Miscellaneous - NONE

<b>Voting Members</b>	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Achal Agarwal					Х	Bertram Okpokwasili	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Χ			
Mace Bell					Х	Sangeeta Ranade					Х
Tia Biasi		Х				Shelley Skinner		Х			
Bhavini Doshi					Х	Brian Uy	1 <sup>st</sup>	Χ			
Colin Dunn		Χ				Tammy Walters		Χ			
Dr. Yasmin Meah		Χ						•			·

# IX. Enrollment Report

	2017	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Wait
Grade	ENR	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	List
		2016	2016	2016	2016	2016	2016	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	
Pre K	45		44	45	45									237
K	60		59	60	60									188
1	60		60	60	60									112
2	60		60	60	60									78
3	60		60	60	60									80
4	60		60	60	60									66
5	60		60	60	60									57
6	60		58	64	64									14
7	60		59	58	58									14
8	60		58	57	57									9
Total	585		578	584	584									855

## X. Board Agenda

- 1. Committee Reports
  - a. Finance and Budget NONE
  - b. Evaluation NONE

- c. Development and Communications Ms. Biasi stated there are some new members in the group and they discussed with the committee why they do fund raising. Discussed fund raising events that are changing and new fund raising ideas.
- d. Facilities Ms. Walters stated they did a walk-through of the building. Strategic plan will be put together. Discussed volunteer work to improve facility.
- e. Policy NONE
- f. Strategic Planning and Priorities Meeting planned for November 5<sup>th</sup>.
- g. Advocacy Discussion regarding upcoming NJ Governor race in NJ and the impact on Charter Schools in NJ.
- 2. Next Board Meetings: 2016: 11/17, 12/15 2017: 1/26, 2/16, 3/23, 4/27, 5/11, 6/15
- 3. Look Ahead
- XI. New Business NONE
- XII. Public Comment NONE
- XIII. Executive Session 7:42 pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Colin Dunn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brian Uy, All were in favor
- **XIV.** Adjournment Executive Session / Public Session 8:22 pm, 1<sup>st</sup> Colin Dunn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Brian Uy, All were in favor