



Commonwealth Charter Academy (CCA)
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Wednesday, October 11, 2017 at 8:30 AM

Held at the following location and via teleconference:

One Innovation Way Harrisburg, PA 17110

I. Call to Order

Mr. Dyer called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. when all participants were present and able to hear each other. The school was open for the public to attend.

II. Roll Call

Board Members Present: Ralph Dyer, Lil Jackson, Jeffrey Piccola (in person); Marcie Mulligan, Rob Barr, Michelle Ciora (via phone).

Guests in Person: Maurice Flurie, School CEO; Sharon Pallotta, Christine Hakes, Jennifer Clarke, Joyce Good, Paulie Zozos, Jim Skinner, School Staff; Phil Murren, Board Counsel.

[Cheryl Lozier gave her proxy to Michelle Ciora.]

III. Executive Session

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:30 a.m. Executive Session was held to discuss Special Education matters and proprietary information.

Executive Session Ended at 8:53 AM

The Board entered into Public Session at 9:00 AM.

IV. Public Comment

There were no public comments made at this time.

V. Routine Business

a. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Dyer asked the Board if there were any changes to be made to the Agenda that had been noticed. There being no further items to discuss, a motion was made by Jeffrey Piccola and seconded by Lil Jackson as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Agenda for the October 11, 2017 meeting of the Commonwealth Charter Academy Board of Directors, as amended, is hereby approved.

The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Approval of Consent Items

Mr. Dyer asked the Board if there were any items from the Consent Items they wanted moved to Action Items for discussion, or tabled. There being no further items to discuss, a motion was made by Jeffrey Piccola and seconded by Rob Barr as follows:

RESOLVED, the Consent Items:

- a. Approval of Minutes from September 16, 2017 Board Meeting
- b. Approval of Board Payables
- c. Approval of Staffing Report

The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Approval of Action Items

a. Approval to Accept the Bids For the Aquaponics Facility at Capital Campus and the Aquaponics Mobile System

The Board discussed the Bids for the Aquaponics facility at Capital Campus and the Aquaponics Mobile System. There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Jeffrey Piccola and seconded by Lil Jackson as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Approval to Accept the Bids for the Aquaponics Facility at Capital Campus and the Aquaponics Mobile System is hereby Approved.

The motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Oral Reports

- a. No Board Counsel Report
- b. CEO Report
 - i. Student Academic Achievement (FPO #1)

Dr. Flurie informed the Board that over one hundred CCA students applied and were accepted into Conservatory internships. Dr. Flurie will give a final count and report at the November Board meeting.

- ii. Curriculum, Courses and Learning Management Systems (FPO #2)

Dr. Flurie reminded the Board of the LMS discussion during Executive Session.

- iii. Commonwealth Charter Brand (FPO #3)

Dr. Flurie informed the Board that he is recording a ten week series of "Good Day PA" with ABC27 News. The series addresses cyber education and CCA's education.

Dr. Flurie informed the Board that he attended the American Association of University Women's Panel discussion in Penn State. This discussion focused on the quality of cyber education. Dr. Flurie informed the Board that he was offered several future speaking opportunities from those at the panel discussion.

Dr. Flurie informed the Board that he will meet on October 16th with members of the legislature to discuss charter legislation.

Dr. Flurie congratulated Sandy Emerich, CCA's Human Resources Director, for her re-certification as a Pennsylvania Association of School Business Official (PASBO).

COO Report

- i. Facilities Update

Dr. Flurie updated the Board on the Capital Campus renovation.

Jeffrey Piccola inquired about the location of Aquaponics at other CCA facilities.

Dr. Flurie informed Jeffrey Piccola that Aquaponics will only be placed in CCA owned facilities, the Williamsport Office and the Drop-in Centers. At this time, the other leased facilities are very limited on space.

- ii. LMS Update

Dr. Flurie reminded the Board of the LMS discussion during Executive Session.

b. Financial Reports

Christine Hakes updated the Board on business office activities.

Christine Hakes informed the Board that the audit is still ongoing.

IX. Information Items


Mr. Dyer reminded the Board of the iNACOL conference occurring October 23 – 25. Mr. Dyer informed the Board that the November 15, 2017 Board meeting will begin with an Executive Session at 8:30 AM.

X. Board Member Comments

There were no other Board member comments.

XI. Adjournment and Next Meeting Date November 15, 2017 at 8:30 AM

Mr. Dyer inquired if there was any other business or discussion. There being no further business or discussion, he noted that the next Board meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2017 starting with an executive session. The Board being at the end of its agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 AM.


Sharon Pallotta, Assistant Secretary