

Southeastern Academy Charter School

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: Sunday July 19, 2020 EMERGENCY BOARD MEETING

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: via Zoom – Southeastern Academy Charter School

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 6:46 pm

Shelley Foil

There were some technical difficulties with the Zoom calls that delayed the start of the meeting.

Roll Call:

Shelley Foil

Board Members Present: Angelica Chavis McIntyre, Shelley Foil, Scott McLean, Paru Patel, Gwendolyn Roberts-Payne, Tanner Smith, Tami George, George Caulder, Paul Bass
Others Present: Tanya Branch, Kristen Stone

Mission Statement:

Shelley Foil

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Vision Statement:

Shelley Foil

A Diverse Family of Learners that Seek to Challenge the Whole Child Through Innovation.

Approval of May 26th, 2020 Meeting Minutes –

Committee Reports -

FINANCE – Tami George, chair

No report.

POLICY – Greg Caulder, chair

No Report

EDUCATION – Gwendolyn Roberts Payne, chair

No Report

Report from the Principal – Kristen Stone

Special Board meeting was called after Kristen Stone received a letter with concerns from a parent Graham Smith

How will students be rotated during the school day

How will the rotation protect the students?

Define virtual week for the students

How will the virtual day schedule look for students at home

What is expected of the Kindergarten Student at home with computers

Can we delay school opening until after Labor Day?

Chairman Foil stated that the Board, Mrs. Stone, and staff are listening to the concerns of the parents.

Documents will be completed and will be provided to the parents. The documents will answer all the questions presented. Some changes need to be made to the guidelines, but they will be emailed to parents by the end of the week.

Motion Made by Tami George to move into a closed session.

Second by Greg Caulder

Motion Carried

Open Session Ended at 6:55 PM

Closed Session Opened at 6:57PM

Other Business

Siblings will be attending school on the same days. A position will be presented regarding carpooling of students other than family members.

COVID related personnel issues

Parents were concerned that teachers and staff members would be allowed to bring their children to school with them every day. We need qualified staff to work with students every week. 85.7% of the students voted to attend the blended school schedule. 14.3% voted for 100% remote learning.

Staff children will be 15 students attending every day. All grades except 2nd grade will have a staff person's child in the school.

Angelica Chavis McIntyre stated that a compromise needs to be made for students of our teachers so that our students will not have a variety of substitute teachers filling in when teachers must stay at home with their children.

Teachers are putting their health at risk and we should provide a means to assist them with allowing their children to attend school daily.

Discussion

This is an exception to the rule due to the current situation we are in

This will be a new procedure and not a policy

MOTION made by Gwendolyn Roberts-Payne to hire an assistant to help with the additional duties of staff during COVID.

SECOND- Paul Bass Motion Carried

This position would be a second grade Assistant

Help with temperature checks

Bus assistant

Monitor students as needed

Assessing students

Making parent phone calls

Helping students as needed

Possible qualifications of the new assistant

Bus license
Health background
Classroom experience

Email will be sent to parents informing them that students' assignments are due by midnight

Virtual students and in class students will be on the same school schedule
Staff will be encouraged to provide childcare for their students if possible

Closes Session
Motion to end Closed Session at 7:40 made by Tammi George
Seconded by Paru Patel

Motion Carried

Open Session Motion to open session made by Tami George at 7:45pm Seconded by Tanner Smith
Motion Carried

Board voted to continue with plans for the blended school days starting on August 10, 2020.
A second grade COVID assistant will be hired for one year

All documents regarding the opening of school and school guidelines and procedures will be sent to parents by week's end
Teachers will be allowed to bring their children to school each day.

Adjournment – MOTION: Greg Caulder made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 PM. Seconded by Scott McLean Motion carried.

The SEA Board meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm by Chairman, Shelley Foil

***Next Board Meeting
will be Tuesday August 25, 2020 @ 6 pm
*SEA Gymnasium***

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Board of Directors – 2019-2020 Academic Year

Shelley Foil, Chair
Tami George, Treasurer
Gwendolyn Roberts Payne, Secretary
Greg Caulder
Angelica Chavis McIntyre
Scott McLean
Paru Patel

2020-2021 SEA Board Meeting Schedule

July 14th, 2020
August 25, 2020
October 27, 2020
January 26, 2021
March 30, 2021
April 27, 2021
May 18, 2021
June 15, 2021

All meetings will be held at 6:00 pm in the Southeastern Academy Science classroom unless otherwise listed