

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
SPECTRUM CHARTER SCHOOL
HELD SEPTEMBER 12, 2022 VIA GOOGLE MEET

Present: Michele Gutman, Barbara Bain, Dorice Tharp, Ellen Szczerba, Seana Banks

Staff Present: Dr. Matthew Erickson, John Zahorchak

Absent: Ken Fulkerson, Arleen Wheat

Guests:

Public:

DISCUSSION / VOTING AGENDA ITEMS

- I. **Call to Order:** MG called the meeting to order at 7:03PM.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
- III. **Roll Call:** MG, BB, DT, ES, SB present (via Google Meet).
- IV. **Public Comments on Agenda Items:** None.
- V. **Academic Committee Agenda Items:**
 - A. **Westinghouse Contract:** ME waiting on communication from counsel between both schools. ME says we are in agreement for the rate and the service and legal is working out the details. Motion to approve contract with Westinghouse Arts Charter School, pending legal review was made by BB, seconded by ES. All were in favor.
 - B. **McKeesport School District Transportation Issue:** ME requesting to compensate driver, on occasion \$50 per run to drive students back to their home district due to McKeesport not being able to provide transportation temporarily. McKeesport working to resolve the issue which is expected to be short-term. MG asked if staff is covered by automobile insurance. JZ confirms that staff is covered. MG would like to review in four weeks. BB questioned whether SCS wants to limit authorization in the event it happens at other times during the school year. Motion to approve an agreement to contract with staff at \$50 per run to transport students to home district (McKeesport), short-term on an as-needed basis, with a review after four weeks, pending review by counsel was made by MG, seconded by BB. All were in favor.
- VI. **Finance Committee Agenda Items:**
 - A. **Flooring Proposal for House:** JZ received estimate to sand and resurface floors in the house for \$5,900. However, BNY Mellon, thanks to DT may be able to provide carpeting. JZ is requesting to table the discussion until SCS finds out more details. MG asked if we would have enough information by the next Board meeting. DT hoping to have more information for 9/21/22 Board meeting.
 - B. **House Painting / Hourly Rate:** MG discussed spending up to \$5,000 (budgeted already) to paint the house. Quote came in at slightly over \$5,000. JZ says more cost effective to paint on our own. ME requested approval to hire Spectrum staff at \$15 per hour to paint the interior of the house. JZ says about \$500 for paint and anticipates a two-day project. BB had a question about prior approval. MG would like counsel to review since this is out of scope of job responsibilities. JZ says staff is covered by insurance. Motion to approve hiring of Spectrum staff at \$15 per hour to paint the house was made by BB, seconded by DT. All were in favor.

- VII. Public Comments on non-Agenda Items:** None.
- VIII. Announcements:** ME reminds that the Autism Caring Center along with volunteers from T-Mobile, will be providing lunch on 9/14/22 at noon.
- IX. Next Meeting:** The next meeting is scheduled for September 21, 2022 at 7:00PM. The meeting will be held at Spectrum Charter School with a Google Meet option available.
- X. Motion to Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by BB. The meeting adjourned at 7:23PM.