

Legacy Charter School
February 28, 2017
Board Meeting – Parker Campus

Attendance

1. William Brown
2. Charles Brewer
3. Joe Sullivan
4. Steve Lanzl
5. Cary Hall
6. Tom Moran-Unable to Attend
7. Helen Irby-Unable to Attend
8. David Mitchell-Unable to Attend
9. Charles Butler
10. Ann Bryan
11. Glenn Head-Unable to Attend
12. Adela Mendoza-Unable to Attend
13. Carl Stecker
14. Llyn Strong

Administration

1. Fred Crawford
2. Steven Jones-Unable to Attend
3. Noemi Pavon
4. Stephen Hampton
5. Virginia Burrows

Call to Order – 12:11

Today's Agenda – Approved by acclamation.

Minutes Approval – Steve Lanzl made a motion the minutes from the January 31, 2017, meeting be approved. Charles Brewer seconded.

Finance Committee Report - Charles Butler/Gretchen Taylor

- Review of Legacy Charter Fund Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Reports as of January 31, 2017.

Legacy Advancement – Cindy Smith

Legacy Advancement is in a busy season of recruiting students and teachers for next year. We are also in a busy grant-writing season and are about to kick off our golf and gala planning. In addition, we are actively fundraising across the community for our capital campaign.

- Why would a parent take their child out of their existing school and come to Legacy?
- Why would a teacher choose to work at Legacy?

- Why would you give to Legacy?
- Why would Legacy be awarded a grant?
Why are we here—another school—in Greenville County?
- These are all questions we answer to gain support for Legacy.
- There's just one answer to WHY and I want to offer this to you as you share about Legacy in the community.

At Legacy, we believe in the success of every child. Everything we offer at Legacy is for one purpose—to provide an advantage for our scholars and aid them in their success. We believe education and wellness are paths to life success.

We will do whatever it takes to reach each individual child to prepare them for success. That "WHY" is what makes us different than the other schools. That's why we exist as a school—for the success of EVERY child.

Principal and Director Reports

Virginia Burrows – Elementary School

- Introduced Legacy and Reading Strategies at the SC State Reading Conference
- Monday, February 27th – Visited to KIPP Schools
- Tuesday, February 28th – Visited Head Start Programs for Legacy Recruitment
- Week of April 6th – Elementary will have Dr. Seuss Week to include the Family Seuss Night on Thursday. Partnered with Bob Jones for Family Night on Tuesday
- Summer Reading Camp – All struggling readers will be invited for the six weeks camp.
- Grant for Summer Reading – Funding for Level Learning Literacy Intervention – Focus on struggling readers to come up to Grade Level Reading Level.
- LLI Grant – Afterschool Grant – currently implementing 4 days a week

Stephen Hampton – Middle School

Elizabeth Toney presented in Mr. Hampton's absence. Mr. Hampton performing with students for Black History Program.

- MS Open House – March 14th, 5:30-7:00 – Planning for New Students and Rising 4th Graders
- MS Math Festival – April 4th, 5:00-7:00 – Sponsored by Julia Robinson Math Foundation. Searching for facilitators to work with students
- Spring Testing – Working with students for preparation of Online Testing.
 - We are also increasing competency in typing for test prep by having scholars answer text dependent analysis questions for assignments and assessments on our online classroom platforms for all classes.

Noemi Pavon - High School

- Senior ACT – Scholars are moving forward with ACT Support. Every student receives conferences around their scores. Sylvan Training will be on-site Friday, March 3rd to work with Scholars for ACT Testing.

- Clemson Tiger Alliance – Will partner with Legacy to empower African American and Hispanic males. These scholars will receive mentorship for the next few years.
- Know Your Rights – Monday, March 6, 4:30-5:30 - Bon Secours St. Francis and the City View Coalition, in collaboration with Catholic Charities and Legacy Charter School, invite the Hispanic Community to a special presentation to provide an update on the status of other immigration programs.

Fred Crawford – Director Report

- Summary of S445 with pending changes in SC Charter School Act and Facts with FAQs about charters (handouts).
- Legislative Update
- The SC Public Charter School Alliance is committed to the legislative priorities charter school leaders and charter school board members have identified over the years. Many of our needs address the same needs faced by the Abbeville Plaintiff districts. The fact sheet states that we believe that the following would help support an effective and stable charter sector:
 - A stable, codified funding formula for the SC Public Charter School District included in a new education funding formula that focuses on equitable funding and access to excellent educational opportunities.
 - Access to transportation or transportation funding for all students choosing a public education - including students in charter schools, magnet schools, and district programs.
 - Per pupil funding for facilities, access to underutilize or vacant public facilities, and the ability to apply for low cost state-guaranteed loan options.
 - Technology funding that truly closes the gap between well funded districts and under-resourced districts and charters. Required online testing has put additional strains on technology needs including testing center requirements for virtual charter schools.
 - Updates to the SC Charter Schools Act that are forward thinking and focus on the student while preserving charter flexibility and autonomy.
 - Transportation: Rep Shannon Erickson introduced budget proviso language that would provide transportation funding for public charter school students. This was a milestone in our work on this issue. The proviso was carried over while the fiscal impact is considered.
- Comments on Channel 4 WYFF local news broadcast February 8 about the recent announcement by SC Department of Education to study Outcomes of Charter Schools in SC and appointment of Betsy DeVos, Secretary of US Department of Education. (<http://www.wyff4.com/article/upstate-charter-school-ready-to-work-with-new-education-secretary/8694673>)
- Institute for Child Success - CS and USDE meetings to begin preschool feasibility study update.

Chairman's Report – William Brown

- The South Carolina Public Charter School District (SCPCSD) sent formal notification of the approval of the Legacy Charter School request to transfer charter sponsorship effective

July 1, 2017. The budget for next year for SCPCSD for growth and expansion was approved House Ways & Means and the Senate Committee.

- Legacy alcohol permit protest for Avenue Social Club at 1120 Hampton Extension
- Board Training was hosted at Legacy Charter School on Wednesday, February 8th, 2017 at 6:00 PM.
- Motion to move Executive Session for contract matter.

Board Executive Session

- No action was taken

Public Comment – None

Old Business –

Adjourned – 1:15

Respectfully submitted by Geneva Galloway.

The Vision of Legacy Charter School is to offer a quality, rigorous, and relevant education program leading to college graduation and empowering underserved urban students to become productive, fit, principled citizens in a changing society.