

Foster Charter Board Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, 3/12/24, Foster LMC/virtual via Zoom

Zoom details

Scheduled: Mar 12, 2024 at 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM, CDT

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Attendance

In attendance: Sarah Wylie (guest), Carol Foss (guest), Karen, Kyle, Susie, Tami, Courtney (virtual), Jamie (virtual)

Absent: Kraig (excused)

Announcements

- Susie's newest grandchild arrived about 10 weeks early! He's currently in the NICU at St. E's, but doing very well. Until he's home, Susie & her husband are sharing care of the new baby's sisters with their other grandparents. This means many trips to Green Lake, where they live & attend school. The best way to contact Susie for the foreseeable future is by text. (920.205.8463)
- Guest introduction - new meeting attendees: Carol Foss (Foster neighborhood resident) & Sarah Wylie (spouse of Foster staff member). Thanks for joining us!
- New principal start date is 7/24 - Kelsi Van Fossen will be invited to 5/14/24 & 6/11/24 Board meetings, Global Leaders dinner 5/23/24, Foster EOY event 6/4/24 (all prior to contract)
- Question collection from interview team about recent principal interview process is scheduled during lunch break & after school until 3:45P on 3/19/24 in LMC. Susie will collect questions to relay anonymously to Nan Bunnow. (Or send questions to FosCharter@gmail.com.) District reply will be announced at a future Board meeting. During the next rechartering phase, the Board may add details RE interviewing & hiring for new principals.
- Carol inquired about restarting a program where volunteers read to &/or with Foster students. Secura tutors still meet with students, but the previous reading program has stopped (pandemic?). Susie will contact Sue Jensen RE teacher interest, any recommendations, etc. Sarah has connections with a Kiwanis program, etc. Group of these 3 will meet as an informal committee to explore ideas, & will report out at next Board meeting.

Administrative reports

- Principal - FTE predictions for coming school year: Current student numbers (including Charter applicants for next year) support 9 FTEs for K-3 & 3 FTEs for 4-5 (all @ 2 sections except K, which will have 3 sections). Staff changes will be: 1 retirement (Tracy), 1 current teacher moving from 4th to 3rd grade (Katie), & 1 current teacher moving to MS with 6th grade (Julia); K orientation will be held 5/16/24.
- Title 1 - AASD decision on new ELA curriculum down to "Amplify" (CKLA) or "Wit & Wisdom" (decision due by end of 3/24). Programs & Services Committee will then take up the question

of whether to choose the same curriculum as AASD, or recommend a different one to the Board. The Board vote on Foster's ELA curriculum will be scheduled when the AASD committee recommendation is received.

- For the benefit of guests, a short explanation of Act 20 & expected curriculum changes was given.

Committee reports

- Programs & Services - meeting delayed (health issues within members' families); issues: remove 6th grade references from Charter, other school materials, including website (along with other outdated info); set a deadline for these tasks. Committee members plan to meet before next Board meeting.
- Business Services - Discussion on Global Leader T-shirt funding for the future, including new vendor possibilities (AEHS screen printing? Current shop is district recommendation.); discussion of investment idea for past SCRIP earnings (approx \$8,000.00). Potential votes at next meeting.
- Policy Review - Charter defined 5th/6th EOY project plans for 2024 (Susie will contact Kevin for presentation date); recruitment/nomination of additional members, including open Secretary position. Potential nominations & votes on today's guest attendees at next meeting.

Old business

- (NA)

New business

- Onboarding new principal to Charter Board - expectations, Charter intro, etc. Some Board reps (Exec Com?) will likely need to meet with Kelsi a few times over the Summer.

For future meetings

- Naming proposal (delayed due to principal interview dates) will appear on agenda for 4/9/24 Board meeting.
- Progress report by informal reading program committee
- Planning for EOY Bash 2024: FFN just started planning (food trucks, snake guy), Board offers to help.
- Discussion of Global Leader nominations (awarded monthly at 2nd MMM).

Adjournment

- Move to adjourn? Tami
- Second? Kyle

Voice vote, motion approved.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: Tuesday, April 9, 2024, 6P, Foster LMC

