

# **Learning Community Charter School Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes Thursday, April 20, 2023 – 6:30 PM**

# I. Call to Order by Board Secretary – 6:34 PM

# II. Public Notice of Meeting/NJ Sunshine Law

The New Jersey Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right to the public to have advanced notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon in accordance with N.J.S.A 10:4-6 et seq.

On the rules of this act, Learning Community Charter School has caused notice of this meeting by publicizing the date, time and place, of the regularly scheduled meeting in the Public Notice Section of the Jersey Journal and distributed to Jersey City Public School District, Municipal Clerk and to the Public and posted at the Learning Community Charter School located at 2495 John F. Kennedy Blvd., Jersey City, NJ 07304. Formal action will take place at this meeting.

### III. Roll Call

| Voting Members       | Role (Term Expires)                  | Present | Absent | LA/ED |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|--------|-------|
| Angela Bennett-Glock | President, Parent Member (4/2024)    |         | Х      |       |
| Colin Dunn           | Treasurer, Community Member (4/2023) | Х       |        |       |
| Bertram Okpokwasili  | Parent Member (4/2024)               | Х       |        |       |
| Elizabeth Cain       | Community Member (4/2025)            | Х       |        |       |
| Paula Mahayosnand    | Parent Member (5/2023)               | Х       |        |       |
| Nikhil Puri          | Parent Member (6/2023)               | Х       |        |       |
| Marisa Gerke         | Parent Member (6/2023)               | Х       |        |       |
| Neil Abadie          | Community Member (4/2023)            |         | Х      |       |
| Cathy Agle           | Parent Member (4/2025)               | Х       |        |       |
| Gaspar Cabrera       | Parent Member (4/2025)               | Х       |        |       |
| Kate Gratto          | Parent Member (4/2025)               | Х       |        |       |
| Jaclyn Moore         | Parent Member (4/2025)               | Х       |        |       |

| Non-Voting Members | Role         | Present | Absent | LA/ED |
|--------------------|--------------|---------|--------|-------|
| Mr. Brown          | Staff Member |         | Х      |       |

### **Also Present**

| Non-Voting      | Role                                      | Present | Absent | LA/ED |
|-----------------|---|---------|--------|-------|
| Colin Hogan     | Head of School                            | Χ       |        |       |
| Tatiana Antczak | LCCS Teacher                              | Х       |        |       |
| Brian Falkowski | SBA/Board Secretary                       | Х       |        |       |
| Angel Melendez  | Dean of Students/Assistant Head of School | Х       |        |       |

# IV. Public Comment - none

### V. Presentations

1. Presentation

i. Lottery Update - Colin Hogan

- ii. 2022-2023 High School Data Presentation Katie Goral and Ve'Dora Wright
- iii. 2022-2023 Faculty Survey Data Colin Hogan, Angel Melendez, Tatiana Antczak

# VI. Board Discussion Topics

- 1. Afterschool P&L (P&L in Dropbox)
- 2. Retention Report

| Retention      |      |      |      |      |      | Board I | Meeting |      |      |      |      |      |       |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|---------|---------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
|                | Jul  | Aug  | Sep  | Oct  | Nov  | Dec     | Jan     | Feb  | Mar  | Apr  | May  | Jun  | Total |
| Туре           | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2022    | 2023    | 2023 | 2023 | 2023 | 2023 | 2023 |       |
| Open Positions | -    |      |      |      |      |         |         |      |      |      |      |      | -     |
| Resignations   | -    | -    | 3    | -    | -    | -       | -       | -    | 1    | 1    | -    | -    | 5     |
| Terminations   | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -       | -       | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -     |
| Nonrenewals    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -       | -       | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    |       |
| New Hires      | -    | 4    | 4    | -    | 1    | -       | 1       | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | 10    |
| Interim Hires  | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | -       | -       | -    | -    | -    | -    | -    | _     |

# VII. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

Motion for Learning Community Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from the **March 16, 2023** meeting.

| Voting Members       | Motion | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent | Voting Members | Motion | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
|----------------------|--------|-----|----|---------|--------|----------------|--------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| Colin Dunn           |        |     |    | X       |        | Marisa Gerke   | 1      | Х   |    |         |        |
| Angela Bennett-Glock |        |     |    |         | Χ      | Neil Abadie    |        |     |    |         | Χ      |
| Bertram Okpokwasili  |        | Х   |    |         |        | Cathy Agle     |        | Х   |    |         |        |
| Elizabeth Cain       |        | Х   |    |         |        | Gaspar Cabrera |        | Х   |    |         |        |
| Paula Mahayosnand    |        | Х   |    |         |        | Kate Gratto    | 2      | Х   |    |         |        |
| Nikhil Puri          |        | Х   |    |         |        | Jaclyn Moore   |        | Х   |    |         |        |

# VIII. Motions for Approval

### 1. Finance

- a. <u>Board Secretary's and Treasurer's Report:</u> To approve the Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports for <u>March 2023</u>, as per the attached. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:232.11(a), the Learning Community Charter School Board of Trustees acknowledges receipt of the secretary's certification, and after review of the monthly financial report (appropriations section) certifies that, to the best of its knowledge, as of <u>March 2023</u>, no major account or fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:232.11(b), and that sufficient funds are available to meet the school's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.
- b. Bills List: To approve the Bills/Check List from March 16, 2023 to April 20, 2023.
- c. Payroll: To approve the following payrolls:

March 30, 2023 \$ 281,409.86 April 15, 2023 \$ 266,601.43

| Voting Members       | Motion | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent | Voting Members | Motion | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
|----------------------|--------|-----|----|---------|--------|----------------|--------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| Colin Dunn           |        | Χ   |    |         |        | Marisa Gerke   |        | Χ   |    |         |        |
| Angela Bennett-Glock |        |     |    |         | Х      | Neil Abadie    |        |     |    |         | Х      |
| Bertram Okpokwasili  |        | Χ   |    |         |        | Cathy Agle     |        | Χ   |    |         |        |
| Elizabeth Cain       | 2      | Χ   |    |         |        | Gaspar Cabrera |        | Χ   |    |         |        |
| Paula Mahayosnand    | 1      | Х   |    |         |        | Kate Gratto    |        | Χ   |    |         |        |

| Nikhil Puri | Χ |  | Jaclyn Moore | Χ |  |  |
|-------------|---|--|--------------|---|--|--|

### 2. Buildings & Grounds - none

### 3. Personnel

- a. To ratify the hiring of Vidisha Purdhit as a Nap Aide effective 4/4/23 at the hourly rate of \$17.00.
- b. To ratify the hiring of Justin Jablansky as a substitute teacher effective 4/3/23 at the daily rate of \$125.00/day.
- c. To approve the resignation of Tabatha Gonzalez, effective 4/21/23.

| Voting Members       | Motion | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent | Voting Members | Motion | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
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| Colin Dunn           | 1      | Χ   |    |         |        | Marisa Gerke   |        | Х   |    |         |        |
| Angela Bennett-Glock |        |     |    |         | Х      | Neil Abadie    |        |     |    |         | Х      |
| Bertram Okpokwasili  |        | Χ   |    |         |        | Cathy Agle     |        | Х   |    |         |        |
| Elizabeth Cain       |        | Χ   |    |         |        | Gaspar Cabrera |        | Х   |    |         |        |
| Paula Mahayosnand    |        | Χ   |    |         |        | Kate Gratto    |        | Х   |    |         |        |
| Nikhil Puri          | 2      | Χ   |    |         |        | Jaclyn Moore   |        | Х   |    |         |        |

# 4. Curriculum/Special Education - none

# 5. Policy/Miscellaneous - none

# IX. Enrollment Report

|       | 2022 | Jul  | Aug  | Sep  | Oct  | Nov  | Dec  | Jan  | Feb  | Mar  | Apr  | May  | Jun  | Wait |
|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Grade | ENR  | 15,  | 15,  | 15,  | 15,  | 15,  | 15,  | 15,  | 15,  | 15,  | 15,  | 15,  | 15,  | List |
|       |      | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2022 | 2023 | 2023 | 2023 | 2023 | 2023 | 2023 |      |
| Pre K | 45   |      |      | 45   | 45   | 45   | 45   | 45   | 45   | 45   | 45   |      |      |      |
| K     | 66   |      |      | 65   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   |      |      |      |
| 1     | 66   |      |      | 64   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   |      |      |      |
| 2     | 66   |      |      | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   |      |      |      |
| 3     | 66   |      |      | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 65   | 66   |      |      |      |
| 4     | 66   |      |      | 65   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   |      |      |      |
| 5     | 66   |      |      | 65   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   | 66   |      |      |      |
| 6     | 66   |      |      | 63   | 64   | 64   | 66   | 65   | 66   | 67   | 64   |      |      |      |
| 7     | 66   |      |      | 66   | 67   | 67   | 65   | 66   | 65   | 64   | 65   |      |      |      |
| 8     | 66   |      |      | 68   | 67   | 67   | 67   | 67   | 67   | 67   | 67   |      |      |      |
| Total | 639  |      |      | 632  | 638  | 638  | 638  | 639  | 638  | 637  | 637  |      |      |      |

# X. Board Agenda

- **1.** Committee Reports
  - a. Finance and Budget Spoke about the March BvA as well as the needing to follow up with our broker about our insurance claims and the status of NJ Cash Management.
  - b. Evaluation Met and developed the Board Self-evaluation Tool.
  - c. Facilities Gaspar Cabrera spoke about the dry-out of the building. The window and heating system project was awarded, and scheduling is occurring now.
  - d. Policy Bertram asked about the phone and watch policy and clarified that it is a school policy and not a Board Policy. The student code of conduct will be amended to reflect this school policy.
  - e. Green/Sustainability Recycling plan was discussed, primarily on the education side of things. The containers are on site.
  - f. Afterschool no update

**2.** Next Board Meeting: **2023**: 5/11, 6/15

- XI. New Business Reminder on Ethics Disclosure Forms
- XII. Public Comment none
- XIII. Adjourn Regular Session and Enter Executive Session HIB and Legal Matters 8:37 PM

| Voting Members       | Motion | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent | Voting Members | Motion | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
|----------------------|--------|-----|----|---------|--------|----------------|--------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| Colin Dunn           |        | Х   |    |         |        | Marisa Gerke   |        | Χ   |    |         |        |
| Angela Bennett-Glock |        |     |    |         | Χ      | Neil Abadie    |        |     |    |         | Х      |
| Bertram Okpokwasili  |        | Х   |    |         |        | Cathy Agle     |        | Χ   |    |         |        |
| Elizabeth Cain       |        | Х   |    |         |        | Gaspar Cabrera | 1      | Χ   |    |         |        |
| Paula Mahayosnand    |        | Х   |    |         |        | Kate Gratto    |        | Χ   |    |         |        |
| Nikhil Puri          | 2      | Х   |    |         |        | Jaclyn Moore   |        | Χ   |    |         |        |

A 'founded' HIB was discussed from March.

A legal matter was resolved with Administration.

# XIV. Adjourn Executive Session and Enter Regular Session – 8:50 PM

| Voting Members       | Motion | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent | Voting Members | Motion | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
|----------------------|--------|-----|----|---------|--------|----------------|--------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| Colin Dunn           |        | Х   |    |         |        | Marisa Gerke   | 2      | Х   |    |         |        |
| Angela Bennett-Glock |        |     |    |         | Х      | Neil Abadie    |        |     |    |         | Χ      |
| Bertram Okpokwasili  |        | Х   |    |         |        | Cathy Agle     |        | Х   |    |         |        |
| Elizabeth Cain       |        | Х   |    |         |        | Gaspar Cabrera |        | Х   |    |         |        |
| Paula Mahayosnand    |        | Х   |    |         |        | Kate Gratto    |        | Х   |    |         |        |
| Nikhil Puri          | 1      | Х   |    |         |        | Jaclyn Moore   |        | Х   |    |         |        |

# XV. New Business - none

# XVI. Adjourn Meeting – 8:51 PM

| Voting Members       | Motion | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent | Voting Members | Motion | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
|----------------------|--------|-----|----|---------|--------|----------------|--------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| Colin Dunn           | 1      | Х   |    |         |        | Marisa Gerke   |        | Х   |    |         |        |
| Angela Bennett-Glock |        |     |    |         | Χ      | Neil Abadie    |        |     |    |         | Χ      |
| Bertram Okpokwasili  |        | Χ   |    |         |        | Cathy Agle     |        | Х   |    |         |        |
| Elizabeth Cain       |        | Х   |    |         |        | Gaspar Cabrera | 2      | Х   |    |         |        |
| Paula Mahayosnand    |        | Χ   |    |         |        | Kate Gratto    |        | Х   |    |         |        |
| Nikhil Puri          |        | X   |    |         |        | Jaclyn Moore   |        | Х   |    |         |        |