



Maria L. Varisco-Rogers Charter School, Inc

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Board of Trustees

General Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 17 2023

Board Members Present: Ms. Carmen Lebron, Mr. Vincent Cozzarelli, Ms. Carmen Baez, Ms. Maria Camacho, Ms. Migdalia Concepcion, Ms. Ana Cecilia Cordero Conde, Ms. Carmen Perez, and Ms. Maritza Arauz

Board Members Not Present: Ms. Rosie Hermida, Ms. Carmen Vasquez, and Ms. Marta Nieves

Staff Present: Mrs. Teresa Segarra, Ms. Eneida Perez, Mr. Jose Segarra, Ms. Jennifer Fumero, and Ms. Gynise Gotto

Visitor: Ms. Derlys Gutierrez, Board Attorney

- I. The meeting was called to order at 5:16 pm. The board was reminded that the meeting is held in accordance with the Sunshine Open Public Meetings Act.
- II. Roll call was taken and quorum was present.
- III. The minutes from April were reviewed. Motion to approve Mr. Cozzarelli, seconded Ms. Lebron, and carried unanimously.
- IV. **Assistant Lead Person-** Ms. Fumero presented on the HIB Grades for 2021-2022. Report is posted on school website. Programs that the school has available were discussed.
- V. **Lead Person/Executive Director Report**
 - a. An update was provided on school operations to date. We are continuing to update/revise the curriculum and reviewing our programs/curriculum software to determine which will best serve us in 2023-2024. Ms. Fumero provided an update on testing.
 - b. Update on CDM audit was provided.
 - c. Update on NJSLA Testing was provided. Attendance in our testing groups has been excellent to date. Students and staff are doing a wonderful job.
 - d. The 2023-2024 Board calendar was presented.
 - e. The 2023-2024 School calendar was presented.
 - f. End of the year dates for graduation (kinder and 8th) as well as additional events were provided.
 - g. The contracts for Essex Regional Services Commission for Home Instruction and Paraprofessionals for 2023-2024 were presented.
- VI. **SBA/Board Secretary Reports**
 - a. The financial report for the month of April was presented.
 - b. The Payroll was presented to the board.
 - c. Contract Non-renewals- two non-renewal contracts for the 2023-2024 school year were presented along with justification for non-renewal.
 - d. Contract Renewals were presented for the 2023-2024 school year.
 - e. The proposition of a salary cap for staff members was presented again as discussed in October 2022.
 - f. The contract for Maschio's food services renewal was presented. The Renewal is Cost Reimbursable. The management fee is \$17,400. The total cost of the contract is \$513,628.96.
 - g. The board presented the SFA to SFA agreement with Newark Board of Education.
- VII. Resolutions
 - a. Financial Reports- Motion Ms. Baez, Seconded Ms. Perez.
 - b. Payroll- Motion Ms. Lebron, seconded Ms. Perez.
 - c. School Calendar- Motion Ms. Baez, seconded Ms. Cordero Conde.
 - d. Board Calendar- Motion Ms. Perez, seconded Ms. Lebron.
 - e. HIB Grades- Motion Ms. Baez, seconded Ms. Lebron.
 - f. ECRES Contracts- Motion Ms. Perez, seconded Ms. Lebron.
 - g. Contract Non-Renewals- Motion Ms. Cordero Conde, seconded Ms. Perez.
 - h. Contract Renewals- Motion Ms. Baez, seconded Ms. Perez.

- i. Maschio's Renewal- Motion Ms. Perez, seconded Ms. Lebron.
 - j. SFA to SFA renewal- Motion Ms. Baez, seconded Ms. Perez.
- VIII. A motion was made for consent agenda by Mr. Cozzarelli, seconded by Ms. Arauz. Roll call was taken and carried unanimously.
- IX. The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 pm. Motion to adjourn Mr. Cozzarelli, seconded Ms. Perez, and carried unanimously.

Certification:

I, Jose A. Segarra, Board Secretary/ School Business Administrator of the Board of Trustees of the Maria L. Variso-Rogers Charter School, located in the City of Newark, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, hereby certify that the foregoing minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees duly called and held on Wednesday, May 17, 2023 had been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the minute book of said Board of Trustees and is a true, complete copy of said original minutes. In witness, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the Maria L. Varisco-Rogers Charter School Board of Trustees this 26th day of June, 2023.

{Affix Seal}

Jose A. Segarra
Board Secretary/School Business Administrator