

Independence Charter School-CC

Minutes from BOT Meeting of Friday, August 28, 2020 at 8:30 am

Location: Via Zoom

Time: 8:30 AM

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 14, 2020

Board Attendees:

Sharon Berney	phone		
Jamila Dugan	absent		
Maureen Eagen	Via zoom		
Marc Hensley	Via Zoom		
Jamill Jones	phone	<i>Ex-officio</i>	
Allison Kelsey	Via zoom	Tanya Ruley Mayo	Via zoom
Dana Martin	absent		
Eleanor Sharpe	Via zoom	<i>Also Attending</i>	
Virgil Sheppard	Via zoom	Dave Peterson (staff)	
Jo Tionson Perez	absent	Patricia Prendergast (staff)	
Gina Toppin	Via zoom		
Mehreen Zaman	Via zoom		

Who	What
Zaman	Mehreen called the meeting to order at 8:39 am
Zaman	Mehreen asked if there were any public comment. There was no public comment
Zaman	<p>Resolutions:</p> <p>Mehreen explained that the first resolution pertains to a student with special needs whose family does not believe that he received the services needed. Although ICS does not agree with this claim, ICS has agreed to settle with the family for \$15,000. These funds will be placed in a Trust for the student and can only be used for educational expenses for the student. If the funds are not used by 2025, the funds will be returned to ICS.</p> <p>Sharon Berney asked if the Board can be provided with information on cases such as these so that Board better understands the terms and how we come to these agreements.</p> <p>Maureen Eagen responded to Sharon that the school has counsel who reviews the matters and represent ICS in these cases. Often times these recommendations are made by our counsel.</p> <p>Tanya added that a presentation to walk the Board through what the Special Education team does in regards to evaluations, determinations, etc., will take place at the next board meeting.</p> <p>Gina Toppin added that she thinks it would be good for the Board to understand the</p>

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	<p>IEP process.</p> <p>Special Education Settlement Agreement Be it resolved that the Independence Charter School Board of Trustees hereby agree to the Special Education one-time settlement for student C.F. in the amount of \$15,000 as per the terms of the Settlement Agreement.</p> <p>Motion to Approve: Virgil Sheppard 2nd: Maureen Eagen Action: Passed unanimously (voice vote)</p> <p>For the Ethics Act resolution, Tanya explained that the CSO has added a new compliance requirement. Although we cover this in our Conflict of Interest policy, they are asking that a resolution be passed, signed by the Board Secretary and the executive slate of the Board provide their contact information.</p> <p>Mehreen explained that resolution basically states that no board member or any member of their family will conduct business with the school.</p> <p>Ethics Act Resolution Be it resolved that the Independence Charter School Board of Trustees (i) authorizes the execution and delivery of this Charter and the performance of the transactions contemplated hereby, (ii) and no members of the Independence Charter School Board of Trustees or their immediate family, as defined under the Pennsylvania Public Official and Employee Ethics Act ("Ethics Act"), will have business dealings with Independence Charter School, and that the Independence Charter School Board of Trustees will comply with the Ethics Act; and (iii) will provide the names and addresses (including email addresses) of the officers of the Independence Charter School Board and state that such persons are authorized to execute and request payments under the Charter.</p> <p>Motion to Approve: Eleanor Sharpe 2nd: Maureen Eagen Action: Passed unanimously (voice vote)</p>
Zaman	<p>Adjournment Motion to Adjourn: Maureen Eagen 2nd: Eleanor Sharpe Action: Passed unanimously (voice vote) Mehreen adjourned the meeting at 8:58 am</p>

Respectfully submitted by: Patricia Prendergast