

Board minutes from January meeting completed by Pam Sieger

Preliminary Items o

Call to Order

Called by John Pallasch at 5:02 pm

Roll Call

Bassanya Bryant-Spann, Crystal Cumbee, John Pallasch, Eric Mack, Dan Martin, Betsy Carpentier, Scott Sides, Chad Long, Pam Sieger, Chris Webber

Board Chair Report and Board's role and governance.

John discussed what the board's role is at COA. The board is there to support COA and to help with any needs the school has and to work with Pam Sieger as the ED of the school. The board is not present to tell the school or manage the school on how to run the school, rather to help make decisions about what is best for students. Pam is the direct contact for the board relations. The board will follow the recommendation for the Stride model in running the school which includes what is best for hiring decisions.

Terms:

John discussed terms and informed the board and those present on length of time of the board members. Bassanya and Crystal's terms would end after the one-year mark in June of 2025. Gretchen, Kristen, and Dan will continue until June of 2026.

Recordings:

John discussed recordings or teachers with the board. It was agreed upon that recordings would be sent based on the board emailing Pam asking for board recorded sessions. John reminded the board that they were not to listen to recordings to provide formal evaluations. If the board has concerns after listening to recordings, they would share concerns with Pam. Pam would then take them back to the school to discuss.

Action Agenda Items to Vote on:

o November minutes

Kristen first and Bassanya second for a motion to approve. All in favor.

Printer lease

Pam discussed the rental of the printer and why the printer was needed for the school. Pam shared in the One Note the cost of the printers. There was a discussion about which printer would be best based on the needs of the school. The Xerox printer was discussed and most favored. John asked for a vote. Kristen first and Bassanya second for a motion to approve. All in favor.

School Leadership Report o

Pam updated the board about the improvements to the school's metrics. Pam discussed any open positions at the school and the goal to have them filled before the next board meeting. Pam hired Brad Scott as an AA for k-8 grade. Brad will need an AAA to help support him in the role.

Corrective action update o

Pam shared that the DCAP for the SE audit was underway and due to have completed on or before March 1 to present to the District as part of the DCAP requirement. Pam shared that the DCAP on testing percentages and 9GR in high school coding in Power School have been corrected. Pam shared that she created the DCAP response to the District for testing and stated that she and her staff will ensure that all required in-person testing will be completed including holding weekend and evening testing for families when needed.

Community outreach o

Pam shared the upcoming school events. 1/30 School Choice event with the District and other schools: thirty staff members signed up to attend and 17 families.

Pam shared the upcoming 2/1 District Expo event in Charleston led by Pam and organized by Pam and another school leader in the District.

Pam shared the Carolus Cares event on 2/15 in Greenville for the 6-month anniversary.

New location

Pam updated the board that the new office would be ready by 2/26 and that she would have the walk through with the District on 2/27. Pam said she would like the board present to celebrate the opening of the new building sometime in March and would update the board.