

LIBERTY PREPARATORY SCHOOL
Regular Meeting Minutes
December 17, 2020 3:30 PM
Smithville United Methodist Church
243 N Milton St, Smithville, OH 44677
Zoom Meeting due to COVID Restrictions

The Governing Board of Liberty Preparatory School met in Regular Session via Zoom. The following members were present: Matt Brown, Justin Chenevey, Misty Hanson, Cameron Maneese, and Helen Bartashus. Also in attendance were Maureen Businger, ODE, Jenna Parnell, and Sandy Hadsell from Liberty.

President Misty Hanson called the meeting to order

Treasurers Business:

2020-60 Brown moved and Bartashus seconded the motion to approve the Treasurer's Business:

1. Approve the Minutes of the November 12, 2020 Regular Meeting.
2. Approve the November 30, 2020, Financial Reports as Presented:
Monthly Revenue: \$ 45,385.48 Monthly Expenses: \$ 35,285.24
General Fund Balance: \$15,247.22 General Fund Reserve: \$5,010.63
All Funds Balance: \$ 54,927.63 Unpaid Invoices: \$ 0
3. Approve the Transfer of \$1,160.37 from Title IV-A (599-9021) to Title I (572-9021).

Vote: Yes: Brown, Bartashus, Maneese, Chenevey, Hanson.

Director's Discussion Items:

1. Enrollment, Attendance, and Academic Report: Current enrollment is 64 students with 1 additional pending. We have 36 Seniors and 27 are on pace to graduate.
2. We currently have 22 students participating in the CBI classes. We are working with ODE to get them entered into EMIS correctly, so we receive the proper funding for them.
3. Jenna is working with Children's Services and Local Businesses to partner with Liberty for Referrals. We have a lot to offer for alternative education for underclassmen, and not just to Seniors who are credit deficient. Jenna is trying to get the Liberty name out there in a positive light to attract additional students who may not fit the mold of traditional schools.

Director's Business Items:

2020-61 Bartashus moved and Maneese seconded the motion to approve Directors Business Item 2. Item 1 will be deferred to a future meeting when Maria formalizes the new attendance procedures into policy.

2. Approve the revised Student Handbooks with modified attendance procedures.

Vote: Yes: Maneese, Brown, Hanson, Chenevey, Bartashus

Sponsor's Report: Maureen shared that the Compliance Center is open and that Darcy, Jenna, and Sandy have uploaded most of the documents to the Center. She will send Board Members a link to a Video for the Board Member Training. The previous Link is not always accessible to Board members. There have been some technical difficulties. End of Course exams began before break and will continue during the first week of January when students return. NWEA assessments are slated to begin in March. Maureen is working with Jenna and Susan to complete the Special Ed profile which will be approved in January.

Board Business:

2020-62 Chenevey moved and Brown seconded the motion to:

1. Approve the Following Board Policies and Documents as prepared by Maria Markakis:
2. Form 3120.1 Title IX Sexual Harassment Incident Reporting Form
3. Approve the FY21 Policy Manual in whole with all revisions.

Vote: Yes: Hanson, Chenevey, Bartashus, Maneese, Brown

2020-63 Maneese moved and Chenevey seconded the motion to:

Approve the Resolution to extend Virtual Meetings Option until July 1, 2021 per House Bill 404.

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GOVERNING AUTHORITY RESOLUTION 2020-63

The Governing Authority of the Liberty Preparatory School, Wayne County, Ohio, met in regular session this 17th day of December, 2020, with the following members present:

Misty Hanson

Cameron Maneese

Helen Bartashus

Matt Brown

Justin Chenevey

Cameron Maneese moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, Substitute House Bill 404 was passed by the Ohio legislature and signed by Governor Mike DeWine on November 29, 2020, effective immediately, as an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, in order to continue essential operation of various facets of state and local government and respond to the declared pandemic and global health emergency related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, HB 404 extends some of the provisions of Am. Sub. HB 197 and HB 164, which addressed some of the implications of the COVID-19 pandemic on public schools; and

WHEREAS, Uncodified Section 12 of HB 404 permits public school boards to continue to conduct meetings and attend hearings by means of teleconference, video conference, or any other similar electronic technology until July 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, with respect to teacher evaluations, Uncodified Section 10 of HB 404 prohibits the use of value-added progress dimension data, established under section 3302.021 of the Revised Code, any other metric used to evaluate positive student outcomes as described under section 3319.113 of the Revised Code, or any other student academic growth data to measure student learning attributable to a teacher or school counselor while conducting performance evaluations under sections 3319.02, 3319.111, and 3319.112, and 3319.113 of the Revised Code for the 2020-2021 or 2021-2022 school year; and

WHEREAS, Uncodified Section 11 of HB 404 permits the Governing Authority to choose to complete the performance evaluation of a principal for the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years under R.C. 3319.02 without a student growth measure as part of the evaluation; and

WHEREAS, under the authority of Uncodified Section 13 of HB 404, where the Governing Authority has not completed an evaluation that was required under Chapter 3319 of the Revised Code for the 2020-2021 school year prior to the effective date of HB 404 for an employee of the District, including a teacher, counselor, administrator, or chief administrator, the Governing Authority may elect not to conduct an evaluation of the employee for that school year, if the Governing Authority determines it would be impossible or impracticable to do so; and

WHEREAS, Uncodified Section 10 of HB 404 provides that where Governing Authority elects not to evaluate an employee for the 2019-2020 school year, the employee shall be considered not to have had evaluation procedures complied with pursuant to section 3319.111 of the Revised Code for purposes of section 3319.11 of the Revised Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Policy No. 1510 Public Meetings and Notification is temporarily amended until July 1, 2021, to allow the Governing Authority to hold and attend meetings and conduct hearings by means of teleconference, video conference, or any other similar electronic technology, if all of the following apply:

1. Any resolution, rule, or formal action of any kind shall have the same effect as if it had occurred during an open meeting or hearing of the public body.
2. Notwithstanding R.C. 121.22(C), governing authority members attend meetings or hearings by means of teleconference, video conference, or any other similar electronic

technology, shall be considered present as if in person at the meeting or hearing, shall be permitted to vote, and shall be counted for purposes of determining whether a quorum is present the meeting or hearing;

3. The Governing Authority shall provide notification of meetings and hearings held to the public, to the media that have requested notification of a meeting, and to the parties required to be notified of a hearing, at least twenty-four hours in advance of the meeting or hearing by reasonable methods by which any person may determine the time, location, and the manner by which the meeting or hearing will be conducted, except in the event of an emergency requiring immediate official action. In the event of an emergency, the Governing Authority shall immediately notify the news media that have requested notification, or the parties required to be notified of a hearing of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting or hearing.

4. The Governing Authority shall provide the public access to a meeting held under the temporarily amended policy, and to any hearing held under the temporarily amended policy that the public would otherwise be entitled to attend, commensurate with the method in which the meeting or hearing is being conducted, including, but not limited to, examples such as live-streaming by means of the internet, local radio, television, cable, or public access channels, call in information for a teleconference, or by means of any other similar electronic technology. Furthermore, the Governing Authority shall ensure that the public can observe and hear the discussions and deliberations of all the members of the public body, whether the member is participating in person or electronically.

5. When members of the Governing Authority conduct a hearing by means of teleconference, video conference, or any other similar electronic technology, the Governing Authority shall establish a means, through the use of electronic equipment that is widely available to the general public, to converse with witnesses, and to receive documentary testimony and physical evidence.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Policy No. 5640, Teacher Evaluations, shall be temporarily amended to prohibit the use of value-added progress dimension data, established under section 3302.021 of the Revised Code, from the 2020-2021 school year to measure student learning attributable to the teacher or counselor being evaluated, and further temporarily amended to permit the Governing Authority to disregard evaluation procedures and consequences if the Governing Authority determines not to evaluate a teacher, counselor, administrator, or chief administrator for the 2020-2021 school year because it would be impossible or impracticable to do so.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is hereby found and determined that all formal action of this Board concerning and/or relating to the adoption of this Resolution was taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public and in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Justin Chenevey seconded the adoption of the foregoing Resolution with the vote resulting as follows:

Vote: Yes: Bartashus, Chenevey, Brown, Maneese, Hanson

Next Meeting Date:

2020-64 Brown moved and Bartashus seconded the motion to:

Establish the January 2021 Organizational Meeting and Regular January Meeting for January 21, 2021 at 3:30 P.M. via in person / Zoom.

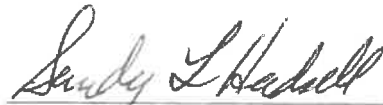
Vote: Yes: Brown, Maneese, Hanson, Bartashus, Chenevey

2020-65 Brown moved and Bartashus seconded the Motion to Adjourn at 4:04 PM.

VOTE: Yes: Chenevey, Maneese, Brown, Hanson, Bartashus



President



Treasurer