



# MINUTES

Date July 23 2020

6:00 pm

Howard Street Charter School  
Virtual Board Meeting



<p><b>Board Present:</b> Erik Davis Kelby Childers Leslie Savage Matt Swain</p> <p><b>QUORUM ACHIEVED –</b></p> <p>*phone in</p>	<p><b>Board Absent:</b> Dave Rigsby</p>	<p><b>Guests:</b> Christina Tracy Alicea Tresidder Lena James Jen Haas Sarah Larimore Robin Johnson Robert Salberg</p>
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\_Kelby\_\_\_\_\_ convened meeting at 18:02

**Approval of minutes:**

Minutes approved. Motioned by Eric, Seconded by Leslie

**Principal’s Report:**

Plan for re-entry. Operational blueprint for re-entry by ODE. Need to start making decisions even though we don’t have all the information yet. End of June Survey 123 responses out of 182, included 6th grade parents and staff input. Will have parent forums via Zoom.

Charter Board vote to approve before August 11th.

Send plan to SKSD-Marion County Health-SK Board-ODE

Marion County Health approves, every one else is just information.

Plan to begin school Aug. 31st

Hybrid/Blended Option-

Monday-online classes only. 9am weekly staff meeting, 1pm advisory meeting.

Tuesday/Thursday- Cohort A (½ 6th, 7th, 8th)

Wednesday/Friday- Cohort B (½ 6th,7th,8th)

Cohorts are 32 students per grade will be broken down into groups of 16 for most of the

day with a few 32s in drama and art  
Lunch by Cohort  
Staggered passing time by 5 minutes  
Still working out details on choir, band, physical activity for rain/dance.

New Procedures: Staggered drop off  
Temperature checks infrared  
Following SK communicable disease protocol (3-days Fever 10 days Covid symptoms)  
Following SK communication plan for communication to families  
Assigned lockers to limit contact at passing  
Working on school supplies and personal belongings (backpacks? water bottles? Lunch boxes?)  
No sharing supplies  
Eric asked about what if someone tests positive? Sounds like it is in the hands of Marion County, but one student shouldn't effect the school as a whole.

Barriers on desks and tables

General Changes:

- hand sanitizing stations (3)
- Lunch services in individual servings
- Clear barriers
- Smaller cohorts-maintains 35sq ft requirement
- Masks required
- Staggered passing time
- Limit all visitors to the double door foyer area, not into actual building unless absolutely necessary.

Things to Consider:

- run hybrid to at least Nov. 6th and then re-evaluate
- May have to move in and out of hybrid if an outbreak 3-4 weeks
- Students who don't want our hybrid model will return to home school
- Could choose EDGE, the new 100% online digital platform in SK taught by SK teachers
- Students may not enroll in EDGE and a charter (ODE ruling backed by SK)

Leslie asked about if a student chooses to leave then they are indeed out of HSCS and replaced off the list.

Lastly Some Good News:

- SIA monies- we will get 60% which equals \$72K
- Because of hybrid, will need improved technology (more chromebooks, more staff laptops)
- Working on north side area- thanks to last 8th grade t-shirts and donation of

their breakaway funds we have \$8k for an outside area.

Had shed looked at for dance update- floor is mostly level needs minimal grading should be able to get it started.

Mental Health Support- families with OHP would not have to pay, others who use insurance (still looking at this and how it will work) Main issue at this time is the workload of local providers.

Kelby asked about how staff felt. Christina relayed that this was the best and most functional option. Staff agreed, general consensus that it's not perfect but is the best option. Best option that allows us to sustain our project based curriculum on a sustainable basis.

Matt asked about plan to communicate new model with parents and families. Christina will send out some videos, but also wants to do online Zoom forums that can hold 100 participants and maybe break it up into forums by grade level.

#### **Staff Retention:**

Spanish Update: Mr. Price agrees to help out until we can get a hire. Have one applicant who is interested but still has some schooling before he is eligible for hire.

Christina shared new mural. Thank you Lena James, looks amazing.

#### **Finance Report:**

Eric spoke to the fact that our budget is in good position at the moment. Kelby asked about how attendance and ADMW will pan out. If doing Hybrid take attendance 3 times a week and this will determine attendance for ADMW. Hybrid model should allow us to keep ADMW as it stands.

#### **Admissions: No report**

#### **HR Committee:**

Looking for feedback from the rest of board on questions for Christina's evaluation. Eric wanted to discuss verbage of "every" student in the evaluation paperwork. Eric just worried that we don't have the resources to support every student, so it might be an issue if a parent wants to use it against us.

**Facilities:**

Solar Panels doing their job.

Leah has been maintaining the grounds and weeding, everything looks great inside and out.

HVAC-will need to start thinking about replacing some of the units. Some are new but some will need to be replaced. 8 of the HVAC units are 15 years old. Couple of minor fixes that are under warranty that need to be fixed.

Kelby asked about more hand sanitizer stations. Start with three and go from there. Having a hard time to find sanitizing wipes. Christina requested that if we come across them pick them up for the school.

**Good of the Order:**

Kelby asked that everyone continue to check their emails and respond as needed.

Kelby discussed end of year report as a collaborative report. Please look back at last year's report and distribute the work.

We are a major part of the OFA report.

Recruitment talk: Kelby has one prospect and is in communication with her

Christina mentioned one alumni who might be interested.

Robert mentioned that it would be good to diversify the board.

Christina mentioned that we need a lawyer on the board.

Christina asked what the goal of recruitment is. Consensus that we need diversity and a few more members.

Christina suggested that we watch SKSD board meetings and what it might look like if they go total at home and we don't. Also pay attention to current issues of racial and police issues within SKSD.

Kelby asked that everyone reply to scheduling for vote on new plan.

Meeting adjourned: 19:06 Motion to adjourn by Leslie Seconded by Jared and Matt simultaneously

