



MINUTES

August 19, 2021

6:00 pm

Howard Street Charter School -
Via Zoom



<p>Board Present:</p> <p>Delia Olmos-Garcia Erik Davis Jenny Hoelter Kelby Childers Leslie Savage</p> <p>QUORUM ACHIEVED –</p> <p>*phone in via Zoom</p>	<p>Board Absent:</p> <p>Jared Whitney</p>	<p>Guests:</p> <p>Christina Tracy Leah Holsten</p>
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Kelby called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Guests in attendance included Christina Tracy and Leah Holsten - HSCS staff.

Approval of previous months minutes- minutes reviewed and motion to accept by Erik with a second byKelby. Minutes approved.

Principals Report- Governor Kate Brown’s Mandade today, all teachers and staff will be vaccinated.

Received a call about teaching of CRT. We do not teach this. Explanation of what it is, examines from academic university level.

New Space- Lease offered at \$4500/mo. 5800 sq ft in size. Landlord wants to start the lease effective October 1st. We’re asking to push out due to going through approval zone change etc. 1955 bldg, concrete floor, needing panic bars for doors, removable dance flooring \$45k, asbestos inspection. After 3 years, may possibly sell bldg to us.. Anticipating \$410k in Covid Cares Act monies for 2021/2022 school year.. To be used for improving children’s well being.. Currently we receive \$72k. We have 3 HVAC units left to upgrade. Current building- Covid monies paid for upgrade in air purifiers for each space, \$7500 in machines and \$3000 in filters for the year. Christina worked with a professor in ensuring we have the best, clean air circulation. Our rooms are officially marked as professional grade which is 5 or above. Most classrooms in schools score a 1.9.

IN keeping within safety for covid measure, we have masks, hand washing stations, air purifiers, students in cohorts & locker set up by grade.

New hire- Madison Hall is our new Spanish teacher. Still looking for Humanities. Eighth grade humanities person withdrew application. Mrs. Alicia will be taking block, Christina will teach 6th grade, Robert fitness and there will be no elective for 1st semester.

This is HSCS's 25th year! We are the first & longest running Charter School in Oregon.

August 30th, 6th graders start school

Chicken Olympics will take place at Silver Creek Falls State Park Sept. 3rd. Busses will transport kids.

Christina hosted 68 parents on a zoom call on the 19th of August to welcome kids back to school and share the guidelines for the new year to include safety and protocol for Covid.

Fence for the N. end of school play area is on order! Smart boards arrived and are in classrooms.

Admissions Report - We are at goal of 192 students. We had 4 8th graders drop out, 1 7th grader and 6 6th graders. All positions have been replaced by calling down our wait list. Nothing else to report.

Finance - Erik noted we are in a new fiscal year but because we have not really officially opened our doors, the budget looks a little off. A few months ahead we will look much more accurate and on pace with our budget.

15 people paying for parking, also throwing the budget off a bit as we had forecasted a full lot. Hoping with state workers returning to work, we will see our lot full again.

HR Committee - Looking for Humanities teacher. We have fill- in/coverage for the first semester. See Principals report above.

Old Business- Recruiting for new BOG members. Would like to see 3 additions this fall.

New Business- Retreat topics, goals, how we will organize meeting. Survey to staff on compensation, what it means to belong, unknowns, board commitment and intangibles etc.

HSCS Annual report due 10/31/21 - Kelby taking lead on this. Committees will need input.

Recharter - Everyone to read our charter and brush up. Matt Lowe may join in recharter. HSCS is 25 YEARS OLD this year! We want to make a splash. Chamber article? Kelby to contact Natalie. Rechartering next year. Delia will be sharing thoughts with BOG on retreat ideas. Date is scheduled for October 6th 1:30-4pm.

Leah shared ideas on fund-raising. Potential for chili cook-off. Ingredients listed, 10 x 10 tents, outdoors on a Saturday. Pushing out due to Covid spikes. Possible spring Mexican

Dinner option.

Next Board Meeting - September 16th, 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm