



# MINUTES

Date 15, 2022

6:00 pm

Howard Street Charter School



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| <b>Board Present:</b><br>Kelby Childers<br>Jenny Hoelter<br>Jill Whitney<br>Robin Saunders Wilson<br>Eric Davis<br><br><b>QUORUM ACHIEVED –</b> | <b>Board Absent:</b><br>Leslie Thompson Savage | <b>Guests:</b><br>Christina Tracy |
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**Meeting Convened: 6:02 pm**

**Guest: Christina Tracy**

## Introductions:

- Guest Introductions--Christina Tracy
- Public Testimony – limit 3 minutes to agenda items only.

## Open Forum:

- Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes

## Business:

- Principal's Report: The dance studio mirrors are now up and it has passed inspection, along with the "lego brick walls". Next week Duncan Construction will be back in the building to repair the locker installation --applying a baseboard to keep lockers from falling forward. The sound walls have been installed with the help of Uptown Music. There was a choir performance at St. Marks and it has been recorded and is available. Orchestra students played at Capital Manor--which hasn't happened since pre-covid. Students wrote thank you letters to first responders and veterans as a community thank you.  
Many students have been out sick for several days with various illnesses that are affecting attendance.

98% of families attended conferences!

12/16/22 is movie day as a way to celebrate before break.

January 12, 13, 14 Lion King Junior will be performing at South Salem High School.

Future performances will likely be held at North to curb costs.

12th 7pm, 13th 7pm, 14th 4 pm and 7pm--tickets are \$10 at the door

- **Finance Committee**

- Financial report- The audit is supposed to be finalized by 12/16/22.
- Our consolidated income statement shows that we are almost \$40,000 ahead of our forecasted projection for this time of year.
- The state is advising that we could see a recession next year which could affect our ADMW (reduction) so we need to be aware of that heading into next year and make decisions accordingly.

**Admissions Committee:** Motion to change the wording in the admissions policy as discussed in the November meeting--taking out "at time of application" to avoid any further communication issues. Mrs. Tracy wants to clarify that students "must attend and participate in all classes at Howard Street" to clarify the term "part-time basis". With the new math curriculum we are better able to meet the varied math needs of students. The district is no longer allowing students "dual enrollment" to attend classes at the high schools while enrolled as a middle school students.

Date change made.

Admission changes approved

**HR Committee:** no report

**Facilities Committee:** no additional report--see principals report

**Old business:** Continuing discussion about ways to get parents in the building to simply improve on campus engagement with families (tea with staff/art walk...etc). The question remains about who will or who would create and manage such engagement opportunities. Potential engagement opportunities during the beginning of the year to find a person who could take leadership of this role. Familiarizing families with The Board so that families understand there is a governing body. Sign up lists and potential opportunities for involvement with the school.

Request for board members to be present at the Lion King Junior

As parents--board members--what kind of event would have help us as parents to create engagement with HSCS

Table diversity discussion until a further meeting.

**New business:**

Salem Emerging Leaders (see article in magazine from Christina)--Christina will reach out to this organization to see if she can invite members to visit HSCS

**Adjourn 6:44 pm**

**Next BOG meeting Scheduled: January 19, 2023 via Zoom  
Meeting at 6:00 (no meeting at 5:30)**