

LEMAN CLASSICAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.
MINUTES

The October 13, 2020 LCS Board Meeting was hosted over Zoom video conference; Ms. Hostin was in the Lemman Academy Conference room in the case that any members of the public wished to join in person. The meeting began at 6:05 p.m. Victoria Hostin presided at the meeting and noted that a quorum was present for the purpose of doing business; Greg Pritchard, Patrice Batchelor, Barry Arrington and Stacey Thomas were in attendance. Principal Jason Edwards also attended the meeting.

There were no public comments.

The minutes from August 20, 2020 meeting were provided to board members and Dr. Edwards in advance of the meeting. Mr. Arrington moved to accept the minutes. Ms. Batchelor seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Arrington – yes, Batchelor – yes, Pritchard – yes, Thomas – Yes, and Hostin – yes.

APPROVED, the meeting minutes from the August 20, 2020 board of directors meeting.

Dr. Edwards provided a Principal report. A copy of which is attached to these minutes.

Ms. Hostin discussed the contract extension and waivers. She does not anticipate any road blocks in getting this approved. She noted that the delay has been attributed to a number of issues including the departures of Danny Windsor and Superintendent Tucker as well as the numerous issues that both DCSD and Lemman face on a day to day basis regarding educating students during a pandemic.

Ms. Hostin addresses the topic of policies: one for review and one that needs to be generated. She reminded the LCS Board that the school has been in a holding pattern entering its third year with temporary waivers. Additionally, the DCSD Board has completely revamped its own policies and the LCS Board originally thought it was prudent to let that process settle before moving forward. However, there are two policies that need to be addressed because both have pressing time constraints.

- a. Enrollment Policy. The draft policy was part of the board packets and was posted to the Lemman website in advance of the meeting. The board is asked to look at two edits that are highlighted in yellow. Dr. Edwards explained the need for purging the waitlist once DCSD has closed open enrollment and the second is to include LCS Foundation board members in the language that addresses preferences. The Board discussed the changes to the enrollment policy and Mr. Arrington noted that the requirement that children be potty

trained may cause issue. He did not move to edit the policy, but asked that Mr. Miller is made aware of it.

- b. Election Policy. This was on the board agenda about a year ago, but requires actions to account for a board elections coming in May 2021. Ms. Hostin outlined a plan to have a first read at the November meeting followed by a second Read in January 2021 such that the Board will have a policy to following in advance of the May 2021 election. The board discussed the general format and requirements of an election policy. Ms. Hostin agreed to draft a policy for review at the next meeting.

Ms. Hostin asked the Board to review the seats of the LCS Board and the Board Members discussed having the current parents on the board specifically assigned to seats D and E. Seat D is held by current grandparent, Greg Pritchard and Seat E is held by Patrice Batchelor, a former parent. Seat B is held by Stacey Thomas, a current parent. With the agreement of both Ms. Batchelor and Ms. Thomas, Mr. Arrington motioned that Ms. Batchelor switch to Seat B and Ms. Thomas switch to Seat E effectively immediately. Ms. Hostin seconded the motion. A vote was taken: Arrington – yes, Batchelor – yes, Pritchard – yes, Thomas – Yes, and Hostin – yes.

APPROVED, Ms. Thomas and Ms. Batchelor switched their designated seat assignments moving Ms. Thomas to Seat E, which is reserved for a parent.

Ms. Hostin explained that the LCS Board needs to meet in November to review and approve the final budget. With the October count just completed, Ms. Determan will have a budget that reflect actual numbers. The Board set the next meeting for November 10th at Noon, proving enough time for the Finance Committee to meet in advance of board to review the budget.

Mr. Arrington brought up new business: The Charter Advocacy Coalition. He explained that this is a new group forming to provide advocacy needs that are not being met by the Colorado League of Charter Schools. More information will be forthcoming at the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.