

**LEMAN CLASSICAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

The October 26, 2022 LCS Board Meeting was hosted over Zoom video conference and began at 6:02 p.m. Victoria Hostin presided at the meeting and noted that a quorum was met for the purpose of doing business; Barry Arrington, Stacy Thomas and Paige McLaughlin were present. Principal Dr. Edwards and James Oliver, SAC President, was also present.

There were no Public Comments.

The minutes from July 19, 2022 Meeting were reviewed. Ms. McLaughlin motioned to accept the minutes. Ms. Thomas seconded the motion. There was no opposition; the minutes were unanimously accepted.

APPROVED, the minutes from the July 19, 2022 board of directors meeting.

James Oliver, SAC President, provided a report to the board detailing the results of the SAC survey that was conducted in the Spring. Of particular note, the participation rate is approaching 50%, which is very high, and the rate has been increasing from year to year. Following the presentation, the board discussed ways to be more involved and finding avenues for welcoming new families.

A first read of the new enrollment language was completed. Questions regarding the timeline for the second read were asked and it was determined that the LCS Board would have a special meeting that correlates with the need for the new policy to be in place. This language will help the school shift to using the DCSD enrollment tool for enrolling at both campuses.

A new version of the 2023/2024 calendar was presented. The calendar has been previously approved and was in line with DCSD's calendar. However, recently presented survey results that resulted in shifts in the District calendar. It is the intention of Leman Academy to align with the big breaks in the school district's schedule and this new calendar ensures that. Ms. Hostin moved to accept the new calendar as presented. Ms. McLaughlin seconded it. There was no opposition.

APPROVED, the updated 2023/2024 calendar that aligns with DCSD's scheduled big breaks.

As a result of the LCS Board's October 11th meeting getting rescheduled, the deadline for the board to pass a resolution supporting the 5A/5B ballot initiative. Ms. Hostin reminded the group that, as individuals, we can voice our support for anything on the ballot.

Mr. Arrington gave a legislative update and reiterated the value of the work advocacy groups, which Lemman supports. He reviewed a number of bills that passed as well as initiative that did not pass, which had the potential to be unsupportive of charter schools.

The board discussed the information regarding opting out of FAMLII. Not all board members felt they had enough information. Ms. Hostin suggested that we find time for the board members to meet with Brad Miller for further clarification regarding the impact opting out of FAMLII will have on employees. Dr. Edwards suggested that we also take time to educate our employees. Ms. Hostin was tasked with finding out how much notice is required to set meeting during which employees will have the opportunity to voice their opinions and time for us to hear from any other constituents. Dr. Edwards was tasked with getting financial data from CFO, Katie Determan, to see the financial impact on both staff and school of opting out vs. not opting out. It was agreed that another special meeting before the end of the calendar year will be held for this important discussion and vote. The date will be set for a date that both meets statute and provides ample time for the board and staff to feel well informed.

Dr. Edwards gave a report and provided information about the replication process, the renewal process and enrollment.

The meeting adjourned at 7:26PM.