

LEMAN CLASSICAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.
MINUTES

The March 9, 2022 LCS Board Meeting was hosted over Zoom video conference and began at 6:04 p.m. Victoria Hostin presided at the meeting and noted that a quorum was met for the purpose of doing business; Stacey Thomas, Barry Arrington and Paige McLaughlin were present. Principal Dr. Edwards, James Christensen, Chris Young and Katie Determan were also present.

There were no public comments.

The minutes from January 11, 2022 Meeting were reviewed. Mr. Arrington noted a typo in the name. Ms. McLaughlin motioned to accept the minutes with the corrected typo. Mr. Arrington seconded. A vote was taken and the minutes were unanimously accepted.

APPROVED, the minutes from the January 11, 2022 board of directors meeting.

Ms. Hostin reminded the board of the few changes that were being considered in the Enrollment Policy and asked the if there were any additional comments or thoughts. There were no additional concerns discussed. Ms. Hostin moved to accept the Enrollment Policy as presented. Ms. McLaughlin seconded. A vote was taken and there was no opposition.

Ms. Hostin introduced prospective LCS Board Member, Chris Young. Mr. Young would come on to the board in Seat C, which was vacated by Patrice Batchelor. Ms. Hostin reflected on the skills, knowledge and abilities that Ms. Batchelor brought to the LCS Board. Directors visited with Mr. Young and he provided an overview of his background and interest in joining the LCS Board. Ms. Hostin moved to add Mr. Young to the LCS Board in Seat C. Ms. McLaughlin seconded. A vote was taken and there was no opposition.

APPROVED, Chris Young is a member of the LCS Board of Directors in Seat C.

Ms. Hostin reminded the LCS Board that the January 2022 board included discussion of possible replication. In partnership, Ms. Hostin, representatives from Lemman Educational Services, and school administrators have worked with the DCSD School Choice office representatives Gordon Moser and Krista Schmitt regarding the school's Charter Renewal process and expansion. During the course of those conversation, Mr. Moser encouraged the school to submit a replication application to be reviewed in tandem with the charter renewal application. The application is for a school to open in 2024.

Ms. Hostin introduced James Christensen, a consultant who has steered the application on behalf of the Lemman Charter School Expansion Team; Mr. Christensen joined the board meeting today to discuss the process, the application and answer questions. Prior to any

discussion or presentation from Mr. Christensen, Mr. Arrington recused himself from the conversation. Mr. Arrington provides legal counsel to many DCSD Charter schools and he recognized a potential conflict of interests with his clients who may, or may not, be considering replication as well. Mr. Arrington left the zoom.

Mr. Christensen reviewed the application, which is due to DCSD on March 15th. Particular attention was given to the myriad data that supports replication including financial stability, test scores and school culture. Following Mr. Christensen's presentation, the board discussed the application and all of the director's questions were answered. Ms. Hostin motioned that the LCS Board submit an application for replication on March 15, 2022 with the intent to open a second campus in August 2024. Ms. McLaughlin seconded the motion. Ms. McLaughlin seconded. A vote was taken and there was no opposition.

APPROVED, the Lemman Classical School Board unanimously supports an application to replicate Lemman Academy of Excellence with a second campus opening in August 2024.

Mr. Arrington rejoined the board meeting. Ms. Hostin explained that all Board Member will have to complete board training modules provided on the Colorado Department of Education's web site. The training must be completed by the Fall of 2022. Ms. Hostin urged the board to begin training soon and to pace the work over the course of a few months. It was suggested that the Board Could have a planning session and completed some of the training together.

Strategic planning is an integral part of the school's overall success. As a function of the UIP and the processes of the SAC, strategic planning has been ongoing since the school's inception. As part of the replication application, the strategic planning that has been ongoing in the UIP was abstracted into a single document. The draft strategic planning document was presented to the LCS Board Members as part of the board meeting documents. Board members reviewed the strategic plan.

The meeting adjourned at 7:06PM.