

Agenda

SHSCS BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 22, 2021 Meeting

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5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Sylvan Heights Science Charter School

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Please rise for a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Can we have Roll Call:

II. ATTENDANCE

Board of Trustees	Present	Absent	Late
Ed Jaroch, President			
Margaret Burton Conners, Vice President			
Merita Marek, Secretary			
Andre Johnston, Treasurer (non-voting)			
Lyndsay Bryce			
Amechie Walker			
Debra Simpson-Buchanan			
Nicole Marshall			
Erica Monroe			
Laura Kurtz, former president			
Susan Roth, Principal/CAO (non-voting)			
Lori Lauver, Teacher (non-voting)			
Jess Nordai, Teacher (non-voting)			

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It should be noted that public notice was given for this meeting in accordance with Act 84 of 1986. The preliminary agenda is submitted for Board approval.

May I have a motion to approve the agenda?

Motion:

Second:

The mission of the Sylvan Heights Science Charter School is to enhance children's lives through educational experiences that are grounded in a comprehensive, science-driven interdisciplinary program highlighting discovery and creativity.

Discussion:
Vote:
Result:

IV. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS AND SCHEDULED SPEAKERS –

V. COMMENT PERIOD

A. Public

B. Staff

VI. REPORTS

A. FINANCE AND FACILITIES:

No meeting held.

B. PRINCIPAL:

- Updates/revisions due to COVID-19:
 - Sylvan Heights Science Charter School would like to extend a special thank you to the CAIU for their assistance in providing our staff with the opportunity to receive the Johnson and Johnson COVID vaccine. All staff who wished to participate received their vaccine as of March 20, 2021.
 - As of Friday, February 19th, Dauphin County reported a weekly average of 6.6 % positivity, and 7.8% positivity for the previous 7 days. The incident rate per 100,000 residents is 89.9. If Dauphin County COVID cases remain on this trajectory for 1 more week, Dauphin County will be considered in the moderate rate of transmission.
 - As of March 19, 2021: In elementary schools, CDC recommends all students remain at least 3 feet apart in classrooms where mask use is universal — regardless of whether community transmission is low, moderate, substantial, or high.

Level of Community Transmission in the County	Incidence Rate per 100,000 Residents (Most Recent 7 Days)	AND/OR	PCR Percent Positivity (Most Recent 7 Days)	Recommended Instructional Models*
Low	<10	AND	<5%	Full in-person Model
Moderate	10 to <100	OR	5% to <10%	Blended Learning Model
Substantial	≥100	OR	≥10%	Blended Learning Model for Elementary Only OR Full Remote Learning Model

- Current recommendation to revise the current Phased Reopening Plan to reduce the number of physical distancing space required, provided the Pennsylvania Department of Education and Pennsylvania Department of Health approve the CDC’s current recommendation to reduce physical distancing requirements from 6 feet 3 feet. Revisions will take effect no sooner than April 12, 2021.
 - All classrooms will adjust seating to allow for 3 feet of physical distancing
 - There will be no change to the wearing of masks or the use of plexi-glass or other physical barriers.
 - All parents will be notified of any changes at least 2 weeks in advance.
 - Parents may choose to have their child participate in the online learning option until the end of the 2020-2021 school year.
- Pending Grants: ESSER II and ESSER III
 - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency School Relief Fund (ESSER II) total allocation of \$640,990.00 over the next 2 school years (ending September 2023).
 - ESSER III funding allocations and requirements are waiting official release.
 - Administrative staff attended an informational session sponsored by the Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials on March 18, 2021 on the Allowable Uses for ESSER III Funds
- Quarterly Family Engagement Meeting- scheduled to be held on April 8, 2021.
- Marking Period 3 ends on March 26th. Report Cards are slated to be mailed during the week of April 6th.

- Medications at School (Policy 210)
 - Parents/guardians to complete and sign the prescription medication form
 - The written order of the prescribing physician, which shall include the purpose of the medication, dosage, time at which or special circumstances under which the medication shall be administered, length of period for which medication is prescribed, and possible side effects of medication.
 - Prescribed medication, including inhalers, must be provided in a container appropriately labeled by the pharmacy or health care provider.
 - Medication shall be stored in a locked cabinet designated for storage of medication.
- Possession and Administration of Asthma Inhalers/Epinephrine Auto-Injectors (Policy 201.1)
 - Before a student may possess or use an asthma inhaler or epinephrine auto-injector in the school setting, the following is required:
 1. A written request from the parent/guardian that the school complies with the order of the licensed physician, certified registered nurse practitioner, or physician assistant, including the school is not responsible for ensuring the medication is taken and relieving the School and its employees of responsibility for the benefits or consequences of the prescribed medication.
 2. A written statement from the licensed physician, certified registered nurse practitioner, or physician assistant that states:
 - a. Name of the drug.
 - b. Prescribed dosage.
 - c. Times medication is to be taken.
 - d. Length of time medication is prescribed.
 - e. Diagnosis or reason medication is needed, unless confidential.
 - f. Potential serious reaction or side effects of medication.
 - g. Emergency response.
 - h. If child is qualified and able to self-administer the medication.
- Dress and Grooming (Policy 221): Light pink and pale yellow are being added to choice of collared shirt colors.

C. BY-LAWS AND POLICIES:

No Meeting Held

D. Family Advisory Committee:

No meeting held

E. PERSONNEL:

No meeting held

F. PRESIDENT

VII. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

By notice of the President, the following action items suggest a roll call vote. You will be recorded as voting in the affirmative for the motion unless you say “nay” or “I abstain”. Board Members are further advised that they must publicly announce and disclose the nature of any conflict of interest before the vote on the matter is taken.

A. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

- Approve the minutes from the February 22, 2021 Board of Trustees Meeting

2. FISCAL ITEMS:

- Approval of check numbers 1896- 1924 and the listed ACH transactions for the month of February 2021.

3. PERSONNEL:

None

4. AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/POLICIES

- The School will revised the current Phased Reopening Plan to reduce the number of physical distracting space required, provided the Pennsylvania Department of Education and Pennsylvania Department of Health approve the CDC’s current recommendation to reduce physical distancing requirements from 6 feet 3 feet.
- To approve the first reading of the following policies.
 - Policy 117 Homebound Instruction
 - Policy 203.1HIV Instruction
 - Policy 210 Medications
 - Policy 201.1 Possession and Administration of Asthma Inhalers/Epinephrine Auto-Injectors
 - Policy 221 Dress and Grooming
 - Policy 233 Suspension and Expulsion

- To approve the second reading of the following policies:
 - Policy 105.1 Curriculum Review by Parents and Students
 - Policy 105.2 Exemption from Instruction
 - Policy 138 Language Instruction Education Program for English Learners
 - Policy 626.1 Travel Reimbursement- Federal Programs

May I have a motion to approve the consent calendar as recommended?

Motion:

Second:

Discussion:

Vote:

Result:

B. OLD BUSINESS:

ACT 55 Board Training sponsored by the Pennsylvania Coalition of Public Charter Schools- Board members may sign up for either March 23rd or May 7th.

C. NEW BUSINESS

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETINGS

Meetings will be held @ 5:30 pm on the following dates:

Monday, July 20, 2020
Monday, August 17, 2020
Monday, September 21, 2020
Monday, October 19, 2020
Monday, November 16, 2020
Monday, December 21, 2020
Monday, January 25, 2021
Monday, February 22, 2021
Monday, March 22, 2021
Monday, April 19, 2021
Monday, May, 17, 2021
Monday, June 21, 2021

BOARD OF TRUSTEE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Finance & Faculties Committee: (meetings are held at 6:00 PM)

Monday, September 14, 2020
Monday, November 9, 2020
Monday, January 11, 2021
Monday, February 7, 2021
Monday, April 12, 2021
Monday, June 7, 2021

By-Laws & Policy Committee: (meetings are held at 5:30 PM)

Thursday, July 9, 2020 (joint with Personnel Committee)
Thursday, August 6, 2020
Thursday, January 14, 2021 (canceled)
Thursday, February 18, 2021 (rescheduled from January)
Thursday, June 17, 2021

Personnel Committee: (meetings are held at 5:30 PM)

Thursday, July 9, 2020 (joint with By-Laws & Policy Committee)
Wednesday, October 7, 2020
Wednesday, March 10, 2021

Meetings are held at Sylvan Heights Science Charter School, 915 South 13th Street, Harrisburg, PA 17104 except when the school building is closed due to mandated school closures related to COVID-19. During school closures, attendance at meetings will take place via Electronic Communication. All meetings, whether in-person or via electronic communication, are open to the public. Those wishing to attend electronic communication meetings may email the school at publiccomment@shscs.org, phone the school directly at 717-232-9220 or mail their request to Sylvan Heights Science Charter School, 915 S. 13th Street, Harrisburg, Pa 17104 for access to the meeting. Please reference Board Policy 006.1, Attendance at Meetings via Electronic Communications or our school's website at www.shscs.org for more information.

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