

MC2 Board Meeting
August 13, 2012

Location: Boys and Girls Club of Manchester

Present: Steve Coughlan, Darlene Ayotte, Darlene Simmons, Jayna Hooper, Kim Carter, and Susan Dryer –Leon by phone.

The Agenda was approved and the minutes of the 7/16/2012 meeting were approved unanimously.

The major focus of this meeting was for the Board to meet the Staff of MC2 and see the location where the Manchester Campus will start out.

The Board was introduced to the staff : Segun Olorunfemi, Nate Townsend, Lee Greco, and Diane Ramirez. Each shared what they had been doing and learning in the training that they are going through. They also shared their vision for the school and their previous experiences. The Board responded in kind and told them why there were involved with MC2. It was a very nice experience for all.

After the “meet and greet” the Board went back to the agenda and the next item was the position of School Leader. Kim stated that she would rather have that position called Team Facilitator. She then gave us some background on a potential candidate. Discussion ensued about the responsibilities of this person. Kim will offer the position to the candidate.

Kim also reported that one of the other potential staff members decided not to join our team at this time.

Student recruitment: Calls are coming in daily. At this time there are 28 confirmed and eight in the application stage. Kim continues to meet with the staff at the Manchester central office to discuss MC2’s relationship with the district. Some of the calls of inquiry are due to the positive relationship with the district and others are from word of mouth. She also reported that the district might assign a Special Education staff member to work directly with MC2 since some of the students also have IEPs.

Site status update: the Boys and Girls Club staff have been very nice to work with. Since the B & G Club uses the NH Food Bank for breakfast and dinner (the NHFB is the CACF provider), the students will be able to apply for Free and Reduced Lunch.

Bussing update: Manchester district busses grades 1-8 students. High School students can get a city bus pass. We will need to make other plans for the part of the year that the district schools are not in session. Kim will let the district know who needs bussing.

Biddy updated the group on the next meeting with the Newport School Board. It will be September 13. We will make a presentation on the status of the charter school in Manchester and assess Newport’s interest in supporting a middle school in their district.

Financial: Bidy moved and Darlene S seconded the first resolution:

RESOLVED: That **Making Community Connections Charter School** shall participate in the following self-funded, reinsurance pools operated by subsidiaries of Local Government Center, Inc.:

[CIRCLE THE APPROPRIATE ANSWER IN EACH ITEM BELOW:]

YES / NO

HealthTrust, for the provision of health and other benefits as may be selected for its employees.

YES / NO

PLT, for the provision of protection against its property and liability risks.

YES / NO

PLT, d/b/a WCT, for the provision of workers compensation for its employees.

YES / NO

PLT, d/b/a WCT, for the provision of unemployment benefits for its employees.

The vote was unanimous with Darlene Simmons abstaining.

The seconded resolution was moved by Bidy and seconded by Darlene A:

RESOLVED: That Kim Carter, CEO [Name/Title] is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver to the applicable Trusts, on behalf of **Making Community Connections Charter School**, the "Application and Participation Agreement," including any applicable Schedules thereto, in substantially the form presented to this meeting, together with any related documentation necessary to effect and complete the Application and Participation for the above-authorized protection and benefits.

The vote was unanimous with Darlene Simmons abstaining.

The Board reviewed the financial statements which included Year To Date, month and last years' report. Kim went over the budget We will discuss any changes needed at the next board meeting.

Committee Reports: We will need policies to address student assessment and access to confidential student records. The Policy Committee will address for the next meeting. Other committee reports were passed over.

Evaluation Process: we need to set up/confirm a process of evaluating ourselves as board members, the staff and the Executive Director. For our teachers we are using the INTASC standards.

Meeting adjourned at noon and the Board toured the facility.

Respectfully submitted

Virginia O'Brien Irwin Secretary