



Meeting Minutes

August 12, 2013 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Making Community Connections Charter School
60 Rogers Street, Unit 203, Manchester, NH

Attendees

Trustees in attendance at MC²: Steve Coughlan, CJ Hebert, Biddy Irwin

Trustees in attendance by phone: Susan Dreyer-Leon

Administration: Kim Carter, Ed Marceau, Jay Mattia

Apologies: Honore Murenzi

Guest: Elizabeth Cardine, Nick Flowers

Agenda

Topics	Discussion	Decision
Call to Order	Mr. Coughlan called the meeting to order at 10:22 AM	
Agenda Review	No revisions to the agenda.	
Student Time	Nick F., one of the students who attended the UNH conference, presented about the experience. He said it was about team building. He felt that he was being talked down to; he said their main focus was about not singling out students with autism. He enjoyed being there and being a part of it, however. Eddie clarified it was a 3 day conference on disability, said they made good connections with people from around the state. Nick said the concluding presentation was a song written by the students about including everyone. Eddie said there was a lot of engagement by MC ² students, with a lot of compliments from participants afterward. Nick's ideas for preventing people being picked on: don't be a part of it and "bark at the people who are doing it." Susan asked for more information about the style in which the presenters were interacting with the students. Felt that he wasn't being given credit for understanding the issues. Susan: a lot of organizations aren't practiced at student voice. Applaud the fact that students were invited. How to do that at an effective/good level is probably something we can help them understand better.	
Public Time	No one present.	

Approval of Minutes	Minutes we not approved due to lack of quorum	
Status Report: Manchester Campus		
Facilities	<p>Manchester campus: Update on progress of fit-out. Occupancy permit still pending Food service area to be inspected this week. Kitchen equipment is quite nice. Still need fire and school facilities inspections. Landlord has ordered the sign but we have to purchase. We still have the right of first refusal on additional space. There is some concern as the Liberty Harbor Academy will be leasing this space for 3 months until their facility is ready. We need to make sure that any costs that we had which allow them to occupy are shared if possible.</p> <p>We will need to rent some storage space as we cannot use all the furniture and fixtures we received from the bank just now. Rental space is \$5/sq ft per annum.</p> <p>We are looking at security options including cameras.</p> <p>We are reviewing cleaning options.</p>	<p>Help from Board members would be appreciated to get ready for the opening. Student help is OK but not as efficient as could be.</p> <p>Kim will discuss with the landlord.</p>
Administrator's Report	Eddie Marceau reported on the staff. A position has been posted for the Science position. Currently have 1 School Leader, 1 Student Success Director, 2.5 advisor/teachers, 2 Learner Support Specialists	
Special request	The board reviewed a request from a student for re-admission. The board will wait for more information before responding. As a public school we have limited reasons not to admit a student. It is not clear if we can meet this student's needs.	
Enrollment	MC2 Manchester appears to be on target for an opening day enrollment of 80.	
Calendar	Due to an excellent staff development opportunity	
Monadnock Campus	There continues to be a strong interest in opening a campus in the Monadnock area. The support group would like to be recognized by the board so that they can officially begin	

	<p>fundraising with a target of opening in 2015. It was recommended that we appoint a Monadnock advisory committee and ask them to nominate some members for the board.</p> <p>Susan D-L knows about this group and talked about a graduate student who might be helpful with this process.</p>	
Finance and Budget		
	Postponed until Friday August 16.	
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Next Meetings	August 16, 2013.	
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 12:05 PM	Meeting adjourned and rest of agenda moved to August 16 @ 12:30 PM
	Minutes recorded by Kim Carter and Bidy Irwin	