

SCHOOL IN THE SQUARE CHARTER SCHOOL

Meeting of the Board of Trustees

March 24, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

Location: Video Meeting

Board Members Present (in alphabetical order): Michelle DeLong, Peter Gatof, Scott Gottlieb (by telephone), Jennifer Grazel, Scott Levenson, Aaron Llsthaus, Michael Pollack, Joel Talish, Walter Rendon, Joel Talish, Mindy Tucker

Other Attendees: Carrie Amon, Alan Dichter, Bob Keogh, Evan Meyers

Materials provided to the Board prior to the meeting: ED Report, Meeting agenda, Financial documents, February meeting minutes

BUSINESS MEETING:

Mr. Pollack opened the meeting at 5:35 pm.

The board agreed that for the duration of the Covid-19 emergency the board will meet weekly to respond to emerging issues. The board will stay abreast of issues and make decisions at the most appropriate times.

Ms. Amon explained the day to day distance learning schedules, attendance and response to both student and teacher needs. The school has been doing remote learning for 8 days and is successfully connecting with all students. The schedule has adjusted based on feedback from students and teachers. The SEL team checks in with families and is working with those most in need of support. Teachers are rising to the occasion and working hard to make their lessons work for distance learning. The leadership team, Ops team, SEL team and teachers are all working to make this a success.

Mr. Meyers reported that the school continues to prepare for renewal.

High School placements have been communicated to students. S2 students were successful in receiving placements in their top choices.

The school is keeping up with weekly charter school updates as rules change from the state.

Recruitment for both kindergarten and 6th grade continues. Lottery will be April 6.

Lease negotiations for elementary school are moving forward. The board discussed various options for renovations of the space, taking into account possible economic outcomes as a result of the coronavirus economy. The board also discussed other possible budget implications as a result of changes in the economy.

Board Voting: Ms. Tucker made a motion to approve the February minutes. Mr. Gatof seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

Respectfully submitted: Michelle DeLong, Secretary