



Vertus Charter School

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Vertus Charter School prepares leaders of character.

Board Meeting Minutes

March 26, 2018

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21 Humboldt St.

Board Members in Attendance: Evan Gallina, Todd Oldham, Stephen Jacobs, and Linda Clark

Vertus Staff in Attendance: Julie Locey, Jason Trzeciak

Evan Gallina called the meeting to order at 5:06 pm.

Upon a motion by Stephen Jacobs, seconded by Linda Clark, the board unanimously resolved to approve the minutes for the February 26nd meeting.

Julie Locey presented the CEO Month-at-a-Glance Report, including a discussion of training seminars from Uncommon Schools that some of our staff will be attending, and training they'll share when they return. Julie also discussed the challenges around attendance, including weather and family issues. The upcoming charter renewal application was brought up, and the visit by Regent Andrew Brown who will be an advocate for Vertus during the renewal process. The current success of our student recruitment efforts, 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament Fundraiser, and NYSED's annual drop in visit were briefly discussed.

Julie Locey transitioned the conversation to a discussion of the Board Statistics and Enrollment Reports; including a mention of our excellent On Track to Graduate percentage. She then led an overview of our fourth year student's post-secondary plans, including the challenges around getting students and families to complete the FAFSA; Vertus will be bringing in consultants to assist in these efforts. Julie also mentioned several of our students who have been accepted at various local and national colleges, as well as other options that may be available, including the military.

Jason Trzeciak briefly discussed the February Financial Report, including paying off the Line of Credit which was used to ensure our payroll was covered. Vertus is running slightly below expectations on spending, and right on track as far as revenue is concerned.

Evan Gallina discussed development and fundraising, focusing on the success of the 3 on 3 basketball tournament, which was a grand success bringing in a large crowd, and over \$46,000 in donations to date. The tournament also opened the door for a potential relationship with RIT's basketball program; Stephen Jacobs agreed to assist with making that connection a reality. Evan also mentioned that a few people had inquired about the possibility of using our gymnasium, which led to a brief discussion of that as a possibility.

Jason Trzeciak briefly discussed Vertus' inclusion in AmazonSmile, and handed out a sample of the Total Compensation Letter we will be mailing to staff over the Spring Break.

Evan Gallina moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 pm.

Next Meeting – Scheduled for April 23, 2018 at 21 Humboldt St., Rochester