



Vertus Charter School

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Board Meeting Minutes

July 25, 2018

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21 Humboldt St.

Board Members in Attendance: Bryan Hickman, Evan Gallina, Stephen Jacobs, Mike Mandina, Todd Oldham

Community Members in Attendance: Victoria Van Voorhis

Vertus Staff in Attendance: Julie Locey, Jason Trzeciak

Bryan Hickman called the meeting to order at 7:30am.

Upon a motion by Stephen Jacobs, seconded by Evan Gallina, the Board resolved to approve the minutes from the June 20th Board Meeting.

Upon a motion by Bryan Hickman, seconded by Evan Gallina, the Board resolved that the Board is satisfied that proposed Board Trustee Victoria Van Voorhis has no criminal record.

Upon a motion by Stephen Jacobs, seconded by Mike Mandina the Board unanimously approved the section of the Charter Renewal Application that is due August 1st, 2018, subject to formatting, final proofreading, and the addition of all attachments.

After a brief clarifying discussion, upon a motion by Bryan Hickman, seconded by Stephen Jacobs, the Board unanimously approved the updated version of the Vertus Student Discipline Code.

Bryan Hickman briefly discussed the NYSED Site Visit Report based on their March, 2018 visit; overall a very positive report.

Julie Locey went over the Month at a Glance report; she described the successful graduation, specifically the quality of Lead Preceptor James Daniels' and Valedictorian Daniel Schrank's speeches. She also talked about the summer session, student attendance, and SUNY Brockport's summer tutoring program held at Vertus. Julie Locey then led a conversation about our 2017-18 Regents Exam pass rates; remarking about how we've administered more than 3 times the number of exams compared to last year, with only a 3% lower annual pass rate. She also reported that Vertus' 2016-17 and 2017-18 pass rates were nearly twice that of RCSD's 2016-17 rate. Julie went on to discuss results from individual exams; and plans for future efforts to improve our results. Victoria Van Voorhis inquired about our use of data to guide future Regents preparation classes, to which Julie Locey responded describing multiple ways in which we use and adapt to the data analysis.

Jason Trzeciak led a discussion about the month's Board Statistics report, and the current Enrollment, Recruitment, and Retention Report. Victoria inquired about using our recent graduates as ambassadors for Vertus; including community outreach; Julie Locey mentioned our Summer Community Service initiative.

Jason Trzeciak reviewed the 2018 Preliminary Budget Summary.

Todd Oldham moved to adjourn, seconded by Evan Gallina, at 8:27am.

Next Meeting – Scheduled for August 15, 2018 at 21 Humboldt St., Rochester