

UNIVERSITYof **HOUSTON** | CHARTER SCHOOL

MINUTES

University of Houston Charter School Board

Date: October 27, 2015

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Board of Regents Conference Room
128 E. Cullen Building
University of Houston
Houston, Texas 77204

Present: Robert H. McPherson, Ph.D., Chair
Jonathan Schwartz, Ph.D., College of Education Faculty Representative
Rebecca Hoyt, Ph.D., Community Representative
Rozina Chowdry, Teacher Representative
Patricia Paquin, Acting Principal and Superintendent, UH Charter School (non-voting ex-officio)

Absent: Eric Bentley, Parent Representative

Quorum: Four of five Board members/representatives present (majority required).

New Business:

1. Call to Order: 9:12 a.m. by Chair McPherson.
2. Roll Call and acknowledgment of presence of Board members McPherson, Schwartz, Hoyt, Chowdry and Paquin (non-voting ex-officio). Record noted that Board member Bentley was not present.
3. Performance showcasing writing skills by UH Charter School students Kayla, Avery and Natalie and accompanied by teacher Gayle Paul.
4. Chair McPherson noted that no individuals signed up to speak and accordingly no Open Forum was necessary.
5. UH Charter School Board Member Training: Accountability Requirements Related to the Use of Public Funds was presented by Paul Roch, Business Administrator for the College of Education which provides oversight for the UH Charter Schools.

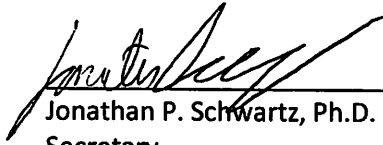
6. Chair McPherson presented the Board Minutes from the July 28, 2015 Board Meeting for review and approval. No corrections to the Board Minutes. Motion: Representative Jonathan Schwartz moved to approve the July 28, 2015 Board Minutes, seconded by Representative Rozina Chowdry. The Motion passed unanimously.
7. Patricia Paquin presented the Principal's Report on the UH Charter School, to include enrollment and staffing information, academics, community engagement, and cultural programs. No vote is required on the Principal's Report. Chair McPherson requested forthcoming information as to 1) percentage of students enrolled by parents who are staff, faculty or students of UH, 2) zip codes/public school zoning and relative percentages for students, and 3) number of applications from UH-based parents versus non-UH community members.
8. Patricia Paquin presented the Charter First: Financial Integrity Report. No vote is required on the Charter First: Financial Integrity Report.
9. Patricia Paquin presented the UH Charter School Quarterly Budget. No vote is required on the Quarterly Budget.
10. Patricia Paquin presented as to upcoming information that is required regarding school officers and board members and finances to ensure the integrity of the institutional governance of open enrollment charter schools for the Annual Report to TEA on School Governance in compliance with Texas Education Code 12.119(b) and Texas Administrative Code 100.1007. No vote is required on the presentation concerning information required for the Annual Report to TEA on School Governance.
11. Lauri Schneidau Ruiz presented the UH Charter School Grievance Policy for the Board's review and approval. Motion: Representative Rozina Chowdry moved to approve the UH Charter School Grievance Policy, seconded by Representative Jonathan Schwartz. The Motion passed unanimously.
12. Patricia Paquin presented updates to the UH Charter School Student Code of Conduct to include e-cigarettes in compliance with Texas Legislature requirements for the Board's review and approval. Motion: Representative Jonathan Schwartz moved to approve the updated UH Charter School Code of Conduct, seconded by Representative Rozina Chowdry. The Motion passed unanimously.
13. The Legal Framework is a statewide leadership project partnering the Texas Education Agency and Region 18 Education Service Center and is a compilation of state and federal requirements for special education organized by topic. Local school board policies of Texas public schools and charter schools are linked to the framework. Patricia Paquin presented the proposed Transition and Employment Policy to be included in the Legal Framework for the Board's review and approval. Motion: Representative Rozina Chowdry moved to approve the Transition and Employment Policy for inclusion in the Legal Framework, seconded by Representative Jonathan Schwartz. The Motion passed unanimously.

14. Patricia Paquin presented the UH Charter School STAAR Accountability results. No vote is required on the STAAR Accountability results.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Chair McPherson declared the meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 10:55 a.m.

Documentation submitted

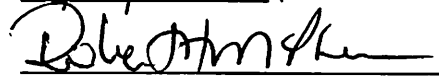
Respectfully submitted by,



Jonathan P. Schwartz, Ph.D.
Secretary

Adopted by the Board in the meeting of

1/19/2016 (Date of Meeting)



Presiding Officer

Others present:

Paul Roch
Lauri Schneidau Ruiz