

Truxton Academy Charter School

Regular Board Meeting

August 8, 2022

Notice was provided on our website, www.truxtonacademy.org on Monday, August 1, 2022.

Quorum as 8 trustees out of 8 total number of trustees was present as follows:

Members Present: Stuart Young, Tom Brown, Cindy Denkenberger, Korinne L'Hommedieu, Dave Amberg, Sarah Stevens, Krysta Austen and Beth Klein

Members Absent:

Others present: Patty Dawson, Kerryanne Schenck and Kay Reakes

President Stuart Young asked to continue with an informal meeting at 7:02 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for the Regular Board Meeting June 13, 2022 and Special Board Meeting June 27, 2022 were presented. Hearing no objections, minutes were accepted as presented.

School Report

Our new Head of School, Kerryanne Schenck, reported that the transition between herself and Sara Petit-McClure has been going well. End of Year reports have been completed and submitted. The NYSED annual report is in progress to be submitted on time.

Kerryanne wanted to advise the Board of a change in curriculum. They will be rolling out new ELA curriculum in K/1. The difference with our current curriculum is the phonics component. The program is being offered to us at no cost thru CITY BOCES, other than printing. We are getting quotes now. Kerryanne also shared 2 brief TED Talks that she will be sharing with the teachers during professional development.

Leadership Council

No meeting was held, so no report was submitted. Krysta mentioned a discussion about a change in meeting dates and rotating BOT representatives. Krysta and Beth will continue for the next meeting and the council will determine how they would like to proceed in the upcoming school year.

Board Committee Report

Finance Committee

Treasurer's Report attached. Korinne reported that cash flow is increasing, still in good position. P&L is limited at this point. We have billed for first semester; 108 students, 11 different districts. She will show budget comparison at next meeting. Auditors are coming in next Tuesday for review. If audit can get returned and reviewed, we can review for approval at the September BOT meeting. If not, we will do it for the October BOT meeting. Stuart reported that his review of the accounting is complete. He noted two minor items he was reviewing with Korinne and Leaf.

Finance Committee

Report attached.

Motion by Korinne L'Hommedieu, seconded by Beth Kelin, to approve purchase of new ABS A5 Kyocera TASKalfa 3552ci copier unit for \$5400 as well as a second Canon unit (under \$500) for teacher space. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Personnel Committee

No report attached. Verbal report on hiring process and interviewees. All is going well.

Facilities Committee

No report attached. Patty verbally reported on room move and organization. Will have presentation and discuss at professional development luncheon with team. Tom reported that Fuel Oil will need to be purchased. He suggests waiting until September.

Motion by Tom Brown, second by Krysta Austen, to approve contract for \$2500 with Paradigm asbestos inspection vendor. per facilities committee recommendation. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Plans for barn have been received and have been given to Levi for preparation to NYSED. Patty suggested and MOU be executed for cost/deadlines/scope of work. Kerryanne will task operations with preparing.

Curriculum Committee

No report submitted.

Marketing Committee

No report submitted.

Special Committee Reports

Nutrition Committee

No report submitted. Krysta Austen reported on purchasing needed kitchen items for the new school year.

Professional Advisory Committee

No report submitted.

Transportation Committee

No Report submitted.

Educational Excellence Committee (Fundraising Committee)

Report attached.

Rural Life Lab Committee (formerly Agriculture Committee)

Report attached.

Head of School Search Committee

No report attached. President Stuart Young disbanded the committee.

Stuart moved to approve reports as given. With no objections, reports are approved.

Old Business

Head of school announcement – Stuart officially welcomed Kerryanne Schenck.

New Business

Accept nominations for 2022-2023 Officers.

Motion by Cindy Denkenberger, seconded by Dave Amberg, to nominate current officers to continue for another term; Stuart Young as President, Krysta Austen as Vice President and Korinne L'Hommedieu as treasurer. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Korinne L'Hommedieu, moved, Dave Amberg seconded, to approve the 2022-2023 Board Meeting Calendar as follows: July 11, 2022, August 8, 2022, September 12, 2022, October 3, 2022, November 14, 2022, December 12, 2022, January 9, 2023, February 13, 2023, March 13, 2023, April 10, 2023, May 8, 2023, and June 12, 2023. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Motion by Beth Klein, seconded by Krysta Austen, to approve the proposed 2022-2023 SAVE Plan be presented and a Public Hearing date set for September 12, 2022 at 7:00 pm. Discussion, Cindy mentioned a few edits, corrections only, no change in content or intention. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Leaf asked the Board to Discuss clarifying our procedure for sharing exit interviews of families and teachers who leave Truxton Academy. It was decided that they would be given to the Executive committee for review. They would decide if further action/sharing was needed. Confidentially would be kept very strict in any case.

Patty reported that the Nomination Committee met and is recommending new Board Member Nominee Matthew McIntyre. We will share Matt's resume and invite him for the board to interview at our next meeting.

Stuart reported that he and Cindy met with Sara and finalized her contract to stay on as needed in a consulting role.

School Events

Aug 17-19	New Staff arrive
Aug 19 or 26	Luncheon with BOT – determine date based on availability
Aug 22-30	Professional Development
Aug 29 5pm	Welcome to Truxton Academy & Meet HOS Event
Aug31/Sep 1	Student Half Days
Sep 6	First Day of School

Motion to enter executive session at 8:49pm to discuss specific personnel compensation issues, by Dave Amberg, seconded by Kyrsta Austen. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Motion by Tom Brown, seconded by Dave Amberg, to exit executive session at 9:24pm. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Motion by Tom Brown, seconded by Beth Klein, to approve Kathryn Shaw as ¾ time Social Worker starting August 17, 2022. All in favor, none opposed. Motion carried.

Motion by Korinne L'Hommedieu, seconded by Beth Klein, to approve Sara Petit-McClure through Aug 31 contracted as P/T employee at \$50/hr for up to 40 hours per month through the end of the 1st quarter 2023, pending legal review and approval.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Krysta Austen, seconded by Sarah Stevens. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:28pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty Dawson, Recording Secretary