

**LINK COMMUNITY CHARTER SCHOOL  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
May 6, 2020, 6:30 PM  
VIA TELECONFERENCE  
at Link Community Charter School  
23 Pennsylvania Avenue, Newark, New Jersey 07114**

**CALL TO ORDER**

This meeting is called to order at 6:40 pm.

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS NOTICE: READING OF THE “SUNSHINE LAW” STATEMENT**

Adequate notice of this meeting of the LCCS Board of Trustees, setting forth time, date and location, was provided by placing a notice in the New Jersey *Star Ledger* and *nj.com* on May 2, 2020, by letters emailed to the city clerks of the four districts of residence and Essex county superintendent on April 30, 2020, by posting notice on the school website, and by communicating same to the Board of Trustees.

**ROLL CALL**

	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Covington, Regina	√	
Daughtry, Brenda	√	
Ebanks, Shawna	√	
Holguin-Veras, Suzanna	√	
Marshall, Richard		√
Petrillo, John	√	
Purefoy, Frances		√
Smith, Denise	√	

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Resolution #050620-01:** Be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees accepts and approves the agenda for the meeting on May 6, 2020.

Moved by Mrs. Smith

Seconded by Mrs. Covington

Discussion: None

Vote: Voice; passed unanimously

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

During the course of the board meeting the Board of Trustees offers members of the public an opportunity to address issues regarding the operation of LCCS. The Board reminds those individuals to take this opportunity to identify themselves by name and address and to limit their comments to items listed on the agenda and/or items directly related to the operation of the LCCS. Issues raised by members of the public may or may not be responded to by the Board. All comments will be considered, and a response will be forthcoming if and when appropriate. The Board asks that members of the public be courteous and mindful of the rights of other individuals when speaking. Specifically, comments regarding students and employees of the Board are discouraged and will not be responded to by the Board. Students and employees have specific legal rights afforded by the laws of New Jersey. The Board bears no responsibility, nor will it be liable for any comments made by members of the public. Members of the public should consider their comments in light of the legal rights of those affected or identified in their comments and be aware that they are legally responsible and liable for their comments. Comments by each member of the public choosing to speak are limited to 3 minutes.

No members of the public were present.

## **CLOSING OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

The chair closed the public comments section of the meeting.

## **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE**

None

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**WHEREAS**, the LCCS Board of Trustees from time to time must convene into Executive Session to discuss confidential matters including but not limited to personnel issues, litigation, matters of attorney/client privilege, and/or student matters.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the LCCS Board of Trustees shall move into Executive Session to discuss a matter of attorney/client privilege.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the LCCS Board of Trustees may take action on this matter when the LCCS Board of Trustees later returns to public session.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the minutes of the executive session will be released to the public in an appropriately redacted form within a reasonable period of time providing as much information as possible without violating any applicable privilege or confidentiality.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the redacted portion of the executive session minutes will not be released until such time as the privilege or confidentiality is no longer applicable.

Moved by Mrs. Smith

Seconded by Mrs. Covington

Discussion: None

Vote: Roll call; passed unanimously

**The board moved into Executive Session at 7:07 pm.**

**The board returned to the open board meeting at 8:11 pm.**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution #050620-02:** Be it Resolved that the Board of Trustees approves changing the 2019-2020 school calendar to use two unused snow days to end the school year for students on June 16, 2020 while still meeting the state requirement for 180 days, with staff working on June 17 and 18 and graduation remaining on June 18, as recommended by the head of school.

Moved by Mrs. Smith

Seconded by Ms. Ebanks

Discussion: None

Vote: Roll Call; passed unanimously

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mrs. Machrone asked board members to complete the Board Self Evaluation survey as soon as possible so the results could be discussed at the May 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Mrs. Daughtry asked about governance training access. Mrs. Baje stated that the NJSBA site was not open for training but agreed to find out when it would be available to board members.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held on Monday, May 11, 2020.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING**

Moved by Mrs. Smith

Seconded by Mrs. Covington

Vote: Voice; passed unanimously

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 pm.**

These minutes represent a record of the actions taken by the Board of Trustees during the meeting and a summary of the discussions that took place. The minutes are not intended to be, nor are they, a verbatim record of the discussion on a particular item.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon F. Machrone, Board Recording Secretary

Date: May 6, 2020

Approved by the Link Community Charter School Board of Trustees: May 11, 2020