



Liberty Tech Charter School
119 Price Rd., Brooks, GA 30205

Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

August 22, 2022 | 7:00 PM via Zoom Meeting

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- **MISSION** - The mission of Liberty Tech is to educate students with a project-based learning environment utilizing STEAM & classical methodologies.
 - **VISION** - Develop individuals who are knowledgeable, wise, and virtuous and will positively impact the world around them.
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Attending: Lauren Conway, Vimal Patel, Michelle Hamner, Eric Walker, Neka Haywood, Ashley Busby, Melissa King (Principal/Superintendent)

Not Attending: N/A

Record Attendance: Secretary Michelle Hamner recorded attendance. A quorum was present.

Call the Meeting to Order: Chair Lauren Conway called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

Approve July Meeting Minutes: Lauren Conway reviewed the July meeting minutes and asked for feedback. Vimal Patel made a motion to approve the July meeting minutes, and Ashley Busby seconded the motion. The July meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

Approve August Meeting Agenda: Lauren Conway reviewed the August meeting agenda. Principal King noted that under the Governance Committee agenda item, the board should consider changing the wording to read *House Bill 1084 Conflict Resolution Adoption*. Vimal Patel made a motion to approve the agenda with the amended language, and Ashley Busby seconded the motion. The motion to approve the agenda with the amended language was approved unanimously.

Public Comment: Michelle Hamner reported that no public comments were received.

PTO Update: Heidi Bancroft, PTO Secretary, gave the PTO update. Spirit wear is in and will be sold beginning at Curriculum Night. The first PTO meeting of the year is on Thursday, August 25, at 8:00 AM. Friday, August 26, is Skate Night at Starlight. The 4th-8th grade curriculum night will be held on August 30.

Superintendent Report: Principal King gave the Superintendent's Report. Enrollment is 416 students; the wait list is 42 students. Pre-K enrollment is 22 students, and the Pre-K waitlist is 7 students. Beginning next month,

Pre-K enrollment will be listed separately from K-8 enrollment because they are funded separately through GA DECAL. School tours are being held on Tuesdays and Fridays. SCSC monitoring has been updated for this year; Pre-K not monitored through SCSC. There will be no in-person SCSC monitoring interviews this year; documentation will happen through an electronic portal. Documents are due by September 7. Monitoring results will be released around December 16, 2022.

Academic Committee Report: There was no Academic Committee report. Lauren Conway noted that Neka Haywood will be the Academic Committee Chair moving forward.

Governance Committee Report: Vimal Patel reported on board member recruitment. Vimal reminded board members to sign their Conflict of Interest policies for the year. The Governance Committee recommended that the board continue with virtual meetings for the foreseeable future and asked for any objections; none were received. Vimal asked Principal King to give an overview of the House Bill 1084 Divisive Concepts Conflict Resolution Policy. Principal King gave an overview of the Divisive Concepts House Bill 1084 that was passed by the Georgia State Legislature in July 2022. The Bill requires parents, staff members, and school employees to have a complaint process to file complaints if they feel the school is in violation of the law. Vimal reviewed the draft complaint resolution policy that the Governance Committee recommends to the full board for adoption. Eric Walker made a motion to adopt the policy, and Neka Haywood seconded the motion. The conflict resolution policy was approved unanimously.

Development Committee Report: Lauren Conway announced the board is putting the Development Committee on hold and asked for any comments; none were received.

Finance Committee Report: Eric Walker gave the Finance Committee report and reviewed the finances ending June 30, 2022. 102% of QBE was received for FY22. For the month ending July 31, 2022, the new fiscal year budget cycle began as expected. There were no adverse findings in the audit. There is no schoolwide free/reduced lunch program this year; families must apply for the program this year.

Action Item Review: Lauren Conway asked for any action items. There were none.

Adjournment: Lauren Conway asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ashley Busby made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Vimal Patel seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn the meeting was approved unanimously. Lauren Conway adjourned the meeting at 7:32 PM.

Minutes prepared and submitted by Michelle Hamner, LTCS Governing Board Secretary, on August 22, 2022.