



Our board operates on a consensus basis in all matters, employing the group process methodology of Formal Consensus. We do so because we believe that equality of contribution to decisions greatly increases our ability to find the best and most creative outcomes aligned with our mission, vision and values. We also believe it imperative to engage the most committed form of democracy possible to model our core value of Mutual Respect for our students and community.

In our deliberations, we recognize and remember that all participants in the process always share responsibility for the quality of our experience. Participants place ultimate reliance on the founding ideas of our school—its vision, mission, and values- rather than any personal agenda. The group’s highest intention is to guide the school toward the most profound and creative realizations of those ideas.

Mission

The Seven Generations Charter School is an academically rich educational community creating generations of stewards who embrace our world and each other. All members of the Seven Generations Charter School community are committed to a public education alternative that promotes sustainability and citizenship with an interdisciplinary, individualized, project based curriculum.

Vision

To each Seven Generations student, we pledge:

- An experiential, constructivist approach to education that encourages hands-on learning in the community as well as in the classroom
- A culturally rich atmosphere that celebrates the expansive world around us
- An environment of academic excellence that taps into the creativity and uniqueness of each child and that fosters mutual respect
- An integrated learning experience that emphasizes sustainable living practices.

Core Values

Creativity; Hands-on; Academic Excellence; Cultural Richness; Integrated; Sustainable; Mutual Respect

Business Meeting Agenda

25 min. 6:30 – 6:55

4/12/2016

The working meeting is open to the public with the exception of items labeled “Executive Session.” No decisions are made in the working meeting; all decisions are made in the business meeting.

	Purpose of agenda item	Agenda item	Presenter	Min.	Time
1	Assign roles	Process: Facilitator, timekeeper, note taker		5	6:30 PM
2		Open Door - any staff member can come to speak to the board about concerns	Anyone	10	6:35 PM
3	Discussion	Executive Session - litigation	All	10	6:45 PM
4	-	-	-	0	6:55 PM
5	Adjourn	Please remain aware of the time. Plan to Start Business Meeting on time.			6:55 PM



Business Meeting Agenda
175 min. 7:00 – 10:00
4/12/2016



	Purpose of agenda item	Agenda item	Presenter	Min.	Time
1	Assign roles	Introduction to Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda review (facilitator can allow time for silent reading, then request any changes, then call for consensus on the agenda) • Reading of Mission and Vision –or, if time is short, just the Core Value • Reading • Formal Consensus Reading/Review (5 min) • Check in – give everyone in the room a chance to speak if possible • Call to order/Roll call: Brian Anthony, Lori Friebolin, Courtney Kennedy, Ben Loomis, Stephen Peters, Al Russell, Christopher Sten Approval of Minutes from previous month (March 8th & 24th, 2016) NOTE: May Board Meeting is being rescheduled from May 17th to May 10th, 2016.	Facilitator & others	20	7:00 PM
2	Discussion	Public Comment (<i>Facilitator: first give time to any issue on the agenda, then open to comments not specifically about agenda</i>)	Anyone	15	7:20 PM
3	Presentation	The Emmaus Borough Council approved an amendment to the ordinance (Chapter 15, 404a) governing the bus zone parking area on Minor Street. The bus loading zone has been extended 120 feet east of the existing loading zone.	Andy Rowan	5	7:35 PM
4	Acknowledgement	The Board of Trustees acknowledges the following resignation(s) and/or termination(s): Kayla Anderson, Fifth Grade Long-term Substitute	Andy Rowan	5	7:40 PM
5	Proposal	The Board of Trustees approves the following hire(s): Carolann Gehret, Reading Specialist, pro-rated salary of \$38,500	Andy Rowan	5	7:45 PM
6	Presentation	EIC Director's Report	Jen Hersh	20	7:50 PM
7	Discussion	Strategic Enrollment		25	8:10 PM
8	Presentation	Principal's Report Including: 2016 - 2017 Calendar Presentation	Paul Hunter	20	8:35 PM
Leadership Team Departure					
Out of respect for the schedule of our Leadership Team, please plan to address the Leadership Team prior to 9:00 PM.					
9	Presentation	Committee Reports (3-4 min. each <i>Committees in bold have indicated that they have a report to share – facilitator, if time allows, please ask if any other committees have reports.)</i>			

