

Seven Generations Charter School

Board of Trustees Minutes March 24, 2016

Board Members in Attendance – Lori Friebolin, Courtney Kennedy, Ben Loomis, Stephen Peters, Al Russel, Christopher Sten

Introduction – Facilitator Rob Aptaker reviewed the process of the meeting

- public comments would be 3 minutes per person
- Process of Formal Consensus reviewed
 - Proposal Presented
 - Trustees would be allowed to ask clarifying questions
 - Call for consensus/Roll call would be taken

Public Comment – no comments from the public

Presentation of Proposal – Steven Peters

- Seven Generations Charter School will request of the East Penn School District, an amendment to the charter to suspend grades 6, 7 and 8 after the 2015-2016 school year. For the remainder of the school year, the Middle School (MS) will continue to implement the established curriculum.
- The Board will task the Principal / CEO to create a MS Advisory & Support Committee comprised of experts and parent representation to drive MS program changes. The MS Advisory & Support Committee will provide a detailed report that will include but not be limited to a strategic enrollment plan for recommencement of the MS program beginning no earlier than the 2017-2018 school year. The MS will not reopen until we reach consensus on readiness.
- The Board will charge the Finance and incipient Development Committees with the task of closing any anticipated fiscal shortfall.
- Seven Generations will adopt a strategic enrollment plan, and chart a course and timetable to get there.
- Pending East Penn School District approval of the amended charter that the administration and Board will collaborate to develop a transition plan for 5, 6, 7, and 8th grade children and families.

Clarifying Questions

- What is the time frame of response? Is there a meeting set up with the superintendent of East Penn?
 - The meeting will be happening soon. Hoping to have a response by the next EPSD board meeting.
- Is facilities planning involved in this process?
 - Yes

Call for consensus

- Proposal was reread
- Proposal was consented to unanimously

The Board of Trustees then moved to Executive Session to discuss a legal matter.