

City Charter School  
**MINUTES**  
 Board Meeting  
 August 27, 2015

**OPEN SESSION**

- The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:30 PM by Alissa Chariton
- Names with “X” indicates that person was present:

Board of Directors			
Alissa Chariton, Chair	X	Craig Silvers	X
Samantha Coyne		Michelle Sorgen	X
Meredith Esarey	X	Gene Straub	
Jenna Flexner, Secretary	X	Lindsay Sturman	
Rebecca George	X	Ebony Wheaton	
Staci Miller		Lisa Woods	
Maggie Pulley	X		
Jessica Shaham	X		


City Charter School Staff & Contractors			
Valerie Braimah, Executive Director	X	Dvora Inwood, Founder	
Sheri Werner, MS Principal			
Spencer Styles, Charter Impact		Raul Alarcon, ES Principal	

- **Quorum:** Yes

- I. Public Comments - none
- II. Action Item: Approval of June and July 2015 minutes:
  - a. Moved by: Rebecca George
  - b. Seconded by: Jessica Shaham
  - c. Unanimously approved
- III. Finance Report
  - a. MS projects small surplus at end of year
  - b. MS projects \$178K surplus at end of year
  - c. HS budget needs to be reworked, as current enrollment numbers are far below original estimates
  - d. Action Item: Approval of July financial package
    - i. Moved by: Rebecca George
    - ii. Seconded by: Maggie Pulley
    - iii. Unanimously approved
  - e. The board received and reviewed the unaudited June financial actuals

- IV. Executive Director Report
  - a. Review of 2015-2016 calendar
  - b. Strategic Growth Planning
  - c. Discussion of possible MS/HS merger
    - i. Further analysis needed of how founding parent status would transfer and the number of families affected
    - ii. Need to determine if the PCSG grant deadlines will be extended
    - iii. Clarity on opportunity cost on middle school budget
    - iv. Check in on the progression of the motor site
  - d. Broad Foundation update
    - i. They are launching an educational initiative and we have been invited to the table.
    - ii. They have expressed interest in helping with talent pipelines for the schools
  - e. Discussion of future of CLIC and how to support the graduating kids: would it be possible to get an admissions preference for CLIC kids to attend the MS vs. possibility of extending CLIC to a K-8.
- V. Facility Update
  - a. Venice site was granted expedited status!
  - b. Coliseum had a lockdown on the first day but things are going smoothly overall
  - c. There may be an additional expense to remedy the flooding problem at the MS. We are currently in negotiations with the landlord to fix the problem.
  - d. Motor is continuing to move in a forward direction, and we are hopeful that we will be receiving the necessary contingency extension from the landlords to allow for the CUP.
  - e. We did not receive the federal facilities grant for the MS. ☹ We are the 2<sup>nd</sup> alternate.
- VI. Committee Updates
  - a. Nominating Committee
    - i. Discussion of 2 potential new board members – resumes will be circulated in the next month.
  - b. Fundraising Committee
    - i. Meeting was held to discuss fundraising campaigns at both schools

Meeting adjourned at 9:31 pm

  
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Jenna Flexner, Secretary, CCS

10/1/2015  
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Date

