

HomeTech Charter School
Governing Board Minutes
January 23, 2023

1.0 Opening Business:

1.1 Board Meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m.

Present:	Martin Svec	Wendy Lightbody
	Julie Crandall	Christina Powell
	Ariane Fialon	Carmel Buckhout

Absent: Eric Rein

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance.

2.0 Mr. Svec motioned for the approval of the January board agenda, with the addition of Action Item 6.5 – Leave of Absence for Board Member, Eric Rein. Mrs. Powell seconded. The board unanimously approved.

3.0 No public comment.

4.0 Communications/Reports

4.1 Ms. Crandall presented the Student of the Month certificates to the students who were nominated by staff members.

4.2 Benjamin Buckhout shared current events regarding the upcoming field trip to Kirshner's Wildlife Sanctuary, prom updates and the progress on the Rainforest Medallion.

4.3 No comments from the board.

4.4 Principal's Report

1.0 Ms. Crandall provided the monthly enrollment by grade. The current enrollment is 100. P1 totaled 80.66.

2.0 Ms. Crandall shared a breakdown of important information regarding the current operations of HomeTech. The board voiced their frustration with PUSD for not providing an MOU for special education.

3.0 Mrs. Crandall presented information on the dashboard and answered questions from the board.

5.0 Discussion Items


5.1 The board has decided to change the June board meeting dates to Tuesday, June 20th and Thursday, June 22nd at 10:00 a.m.

5.2 In 2023-2024 teachers who are assigned to teaching TK will need to complete 24 units of Early Childhood Development. The board believes that it is in the best interest of the school to not offer TK starting in the 2023-24 school year. The UPK money of \$25,000 will most likely need to be returned to the state.

5.3 Ms. Crandall discussed the work done so far with Barbara Mandelbaum Consulting Contract. Ms. Crandall requested an extension to the current contract, adding an additional \$10,000 for the 2022-2023 school year.

6.0 Action Items

- 6.1 Mrs. Lightbody motioned for the consideration and approval of the 2021-2022 SARC report. Mrs. Powell seconded. The board unanimously approved. The SARC report has been posted on the HomeTech website.
- 6.2 Mr. Svec motioned for the consideration and approval of the Live Scan Policy. Mrs. Buckhout seconded. The board unanimously approved.
- 6.3 Mrs. Lightbody motioned for the consideration and approval of the 2023-2024 School Calendar. Mr. Svec seconded. The board unanimously approved.
- 6.4 Mrs. Lightbody motioned for the consideration and approval of the extension to the existing contract with Barbara Mandelbaum Consulting for an additional \$10,000 for the 2022-2023 school year. Mr. Svec seconded. The board unanimously approved.
- 6.5 Ms. Crandall motioned for the consideration and approval of a two month leave of absence from the board for Eric Rein. Mrs. Lightbody seconded. The board unanimously approved.
- 7.0 Mrs. Lightbody motioned for the consideration and approval for the item listed under the consent agenda. Ms. Crandall seconded. The board unanimously approved.
- 8.0 Items in closed session:
 - MID-YEAR SUPERINTENDENT REVIEW
 - PERSONNEL ISSUES
 - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR
- 9.0 Adjourned to closed session at 4:48 p.m.
- 10.0 Reconvened to open session at 5:05 p.m.
- 11.0 Discussion only in closed session with no action taken.
- 12.0 Next regular board meeting scheduled for February 13, 2023 at 3:15 p.m.
- 13.0 Adjourned 5:07 p.m.



Danielle Reinolds