



# ABBY KELLEY FOSTER CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOL

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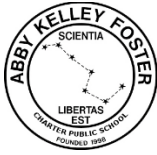
## Board of Trustees

Wednesday, October 24, 2018

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Lobby at 6:30 pm

### Minutes

- I. The meeting was call to order by Mrs. Paluk at 6:36 pm
- II. Members present: Heidi Paluk, Alicia O'Connell, Patrick Royce, Celia Blue, Ryan Kittredge, Randy Schmid, Susan Scully-Hill  
Others present: Brian Haas, Dianne Bonaventura, John Calabresi, AnnMarie Little, Amy Emma, Amy Puliafico, Chris Kursonis, Siby Adina, Brian Gero, Rob Kerr, Jessica Regan, Laura Houck, Michelle Vigneux
- III. Faithfulness to Charter
  - a. The Mission Statement was read by Mrs. Paluk.
  - b. A motion to accept the minutes from the September 26, 2018 Board Meeting was made by Mrs. Blue, with a second from Ms. O'Connell. The minutes were unanimously approved.
- IV. Executive Director's Report was given by Mr. Haas
  - a. Environmental Update was provided. No new issues, not additional testing at this time. A Notice of Claim was sent to Saint-Gobain for costs incurred by Abby Kelley to remediate issues that arose over the summer and ongoing testing. They have 45 days to respond, approximately the first week in December.
  - b. Girls Inc. of Worcester Study Update was given as Abby Kelley is supporting Girls Inc. with their national survey for girls who do and do not participate in the Girls Inc. programs across the country.
  - c. An update on activities at all three schools; past, present and future activities were highlighted.
- V. Academic Program Success
  - a. An MCAS presentation detailing how Abby Kelley scored in the Legacy MCAS (previous test) and the Next Generation (current test) was given by Mr. Kerr, Mr. Gero, Ms. Adina. Each school is responding to the results to better prepare students for the MCAS testing.
  - b. Mr. Kursonis and Ms. Houck brought before the board information about a service trip opportunity to Haiti in conjunction with the Be Like Brit Foundation. The proposed dates for the trip are November 23-30, 2019. This would be an opportunity for 12 students and two chaperons to participated in a dedicated service trip. The cost per person is \$1,950, each student is responsible for their costs, but there will be fundraising opportunities organized by the



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group to support them. After a discussion, a motion was called for by Mrs. Paluk for the Board to approve the trip.

- c. Mrs. Blue made a motion to approve the trip to Haiti, with a second from Ms. O'Connell. The vote by the board was unanimous to approve the trip.

### **VI.** Organization Viability

- a. Facilities and Finance Committee Update was presented by Mr. Royce. He offered a summary of October 18, 2018 Facilities and Finance Committee meeting with AAFCPAs. AAFCPAs delivered their Audit Report and reviewed the data with the committee. AAFCPA reported no issues with the preparation and noted Ms. Bonaventura and her staff were efficient and helpful. AAFCPA did have a recommendation for the school's credit card policy which will be reviewed.
- b. A motion to accept the FY18 Auditor's Report from AAFCPAs was made by Mr. Royce, a second by Mr. Kittredge and unanimously approved by the board.

### **VII.** Next Meeting Wednesday, November 28, 2019

- VIII.** A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mrs. Blue, a second by Ms. O'Connell and unanimously approved by the Board. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.