

**Niagara Charter School
Minutes of Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
October 15, 2024 at 5:00 PM**

Trustees in Attendance: Amy Meshulam, Mary Scheeler, Judy DiCamillo

Staff in Attendance: Dr. Darci Novak, Jill Keicher, Theresa Boniface

Others: Jonathan Schechter, attorney for NCS

Excused Absence: James C. Muffoletto, Lynn Kasper, Christina Lesh, Ricky Scott

Unexcused Absence:

The meeting was called to order at 5:06 PM with Vice President, Amy Meshulam presiding.

Public Notice was confirmed.

The agenda was approved as amended on a motion made by Mrs. DiCamillo and seconded by Mrs. Scheeler.

The minutes for the regular meeting of September 17, 2024 were approved on a motion made by Mrs. Scheeler and seconded by Mrs. DiCamillo. The motion was passed with all in favor and no abstentions.

AAO Report, Jill Keicher

Leaders of the Month: Students demonstrated all 7 habits during the month of September. Crew 101-Nardos T.; Crew 102-Jionna S.; Crew 103-Jeremiah G.; Crew 104-Jay B.; Crew 105-Jy'ell C.; Crew 106-Arsh P.; Crew 107-Hunter G.; Crew 108-Skylynn M.; Crew 114-Evelyn H.; Crew 115-Afif Z.; Crew 116-Naleigha M.; Crew 117-Delani H.; Crew 118-Sebastian M.; Crew 119-Jeremiah D.; Art-Aubrey M.; Music-Journee C.; Gym-La'vante P.; NCS support staff-SaNiyah H.; Mrs. Felmet-Any'a Hill.

Caitlin Brooks, Art Teacher, was nominated for Employee Leader of the Month for the month of September.

CAO Report, Dr. Darci Novak

Professional Development

- As part of the Stronger Connections grant all staff had a two-day training with Laura Mooiman on Positive Behavior Intervention Support with Restorative Practices as well as Restorative Practices Tier 1 training with The Leadership Group.
- Michelle Flores from EL Education was at NCS for staff training on High Quality Work.
- The Niagara County Sheriff's office held a training on school safety for all staff.
- Darci Novak, Jill Keicher, Christie Grant, Theresa Boniface, Sara Felmet, Kelsey Barnes, Alanna Cecala and Nicole Gugliuzza from Erie 1 BOCES attended a 3-day Restorative Practices training with Lori DeCarlo.
- Sherrie Tracy attended Q & A session for the Stronger Connections Grant
- Chiavetta's BBQ Fundraiser was held during open house on Sept. 26th

General Updates:

- Dr. Novak welcomed our new Building-based Substitute Teacher, Jenn Ebling. We are actively looking for one additional Building-based Substitute.
- A site monitoring visit for the 21st Century grant is scheduled for October 22-23, 2024.
- A review of the dashboard took place

Academic Committee

Mrs. Amy Meshulam

- The Academic Committee met on September 25, 2024.
- District and charter school state assessment comparisons are not available at this time.
- Mrs. Gonzalez will present NWEA Assessment 1 data at the November board meeting.
- Dr. Novak updated the committee on staffing, including vacancies, long-term sub assignments, and staff on development plans.

Governance:

Mrs. Amy Meshulam

- Mrs. Meshulam thanked Angel Beiter, from Kirisits and Associates for conducting a retreat for all trustees on September 28, 2024.
- Mrs. Meshulam thanked the trustees who have signed up to attend school events. We have met our goal of 100% attendance thus far.

Finance Committee

- There is no formal Finance Committee report.

Facilities Committee

- There is no formal Facilities Committee report.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM upon motion made by Mrs. DiCamillo and seconded by Mrs. Scheeler. The motion was passed with all in favor and no abstentions.

Mary J. Scheeler

Mary J. Scheeler, Secretary