

Learning First Charter Public School

Board of Trustees Agenda

Monday March 17, 2025

Location: REMOTE

Board Meeting 6:00PM to 8:00PM

Virtual Meeting Link : <https://meet.google.com/kxs-jcgq-vee?pli=1>

Virtual Meeting Etiquette Guidance:

- Be Punctual
- Find a quiet place to join the call; be aware of the noise you are making
- Mute yourself when not actively participating
- Participate (Raise Hand and wait to be called upon)
- Make space for others to participate
- Stick to the agenda
- Follow the leader (and allow Leo to lead)
- Stay on topic

Link to on-line web folder for electronic documents:

<https://learningfirstcharter.org/botfiles/>

Link to on-line Board of Trustees page:

<https://learningfirstcharter.org/board-of-trustees/>

*****Identifies items for board vote**

School Mission

The mission of Learning First Charter Public school is to prepare a diverse cross-section of Worcester children for success as students, workers and citizens by providing them with a high quality education at prevailing public school costs.

Welcome

Minutes for Approval

- **February 24, 2025 minutes for approval******

Public Comments

The board has allocated fifteen minutes to those individuals from the community or staff who have notified the chair in advance that s/he would like to speak on a topic that may or may not be on the agenda.

Presentations

- Superintendent Update

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Board Committee Reports

Finance Committee – Chair Shantie Prashad (staff Nancy Morgan)

The Finance Committee works with board members, the Superintendent and Business Manager to create the upcoming fiscal year budget, present budget recommendations to the Board, monitor implementation of the approved budget, propose budget revisions, and make policy recommendations for the management of the charter school's assets.

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- Minutes 2/24/25
- Next meeting 4/28/25

VOTE:

FY26 Personnel Budget(rev1)***

Governance Committee – Chair Justin Vernon (staff Kim Wright)

The Governance Committee works with other board members on matters pertaining to Board of Trustees recruitment, nominations, orientation, training, and evaluation. It also has a marketing arm focused on raising the visibility of the school throughout the community and raising non-grant funds to support the school's mission.

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Academic Excellence Committee – Chair Ewald Charles (staff Brianne Padden and Tina DeVito)

The Academic Excellence Committee works with the board members and the school Superintendent to define academic excellence ensure that all board members know the charter promises that were made to the community and the MA Dept of Elementary and Secondary Education and devise clear and consistent measures to monitor the school's goals. It also has a family engagement subcommittee focused on engaging families in the life of the school.

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For Board Action * (also see individual committee votes)**

- **FY26 Personnel Budget(rev1)*****
- **FY26 School calendar *****

Old Business

New Business

- BOT meetings move to in person 4/28/2025

Board Development (Governance Committee)

DESE Site: Obligations and Responsibilities of Boards of Trustees

- <http://www.doe.mass.edu/charter/governance/?section=trustees>

For Your Information:

- a) Staff Update
- b) Cash Balance February 28,2025
- c) Balance Sheet February 28,2025
- d) Budget to Actual- February 28,2025
- e) Enrollment Report : As of February 18, 2025, FY26 WAIT LIST: 239, ADM: 667.13 Enrollment: 666 (Feb.15th is final ADM for PP reimbursement 668.19 per Power School, maximum reimbursed for 666)

Opportunities for Board Involvement

Communication

- also visit www.learningfirstcharter.org
- Monthly Newsletter: visit www.learningfirstcharter.org under “family”
- Like us on Facebook!

Reminders

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- **Next Board Meeting: April 28,2025 in person**
- BOT Web Folder for all documents posted
- Board Meeting Evaluations Link: Updated December 2022 by Josh Coyne
<https://forms.gle/FzY8Jy2QFN1Zn2aA9>