***May 25, 2021 Special Commission Meeting Minutes Approved by Commission Vote on June 8, 2021***

The Maine Charter School Commission held a Special Meeting via Zoom on

**Tuesday, May 25, 2021**

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| **Item Number** | **Agenda Item** |
| **1** | **Call to Order and Declare a Quorum** |
|  | The meeting was called to order by Commission Vice-Chair, Dr. Fern Desjardins, at 1:01pm and a quorum was declared.  Commission members present were: Dr. Fern Desjardins, John Bird, Shelley Reed, Wilson Hess, and Jim Rier.  Commission members absent were: Commission Chair, Nichi Farnham.  Also present were Jeremy Jones and Jasmine Canwell. |
| **2** | **Reminders** |
| 2a | The meeting was recorded via Zoom. |
| 2b | Participants, aside from Commission members and staff, were asked to remain muted until public comments were heard. |
| 2c | Pursuant to Section G-1. 1 MRSE §403-A, voting was conducted via roll call. |
| 2d | Members of the public were asked to participate during public comment by using the “raise your hand” feature on Zoom or by commenting in the chat box at the specified time. |
| **3** | **Requires Approval by the Commission** |
| 3a | To Consider and Approve Fiddlehead School of Arts & Sciences’ Request to Amend School Schedule  A copy of Fiddlehead School of Arts & Sciences’ Request to Amend School Schedule was distributed for review and discussion. This request will change the existing calendar to reflect the following: 8 professional development days at the start of the school year, 1 snow day, 1 parent-teacher conference day, and 1 staff day, reducing the number of student days from 176 to 165.  **Moved by Shelley Reed; seconded by John Bird and voted by roll call as follows: John Bird – yea; Dr. Fern Desjardins – yea; Wilson Hess – yea; Shelley Reed – yea; Jim Rier – yea; Nichi Farnham – absent** to approve Fiddlehead School of Arts & Sciences’ Request to Amend School Schedule. |
| **4** | **Announcements** |
| 4b | Next Regular Business Meeting – June 8, 2021 *(Zoom)* |
| **5** | **Public Comment\*** |
|  | Bill Doughty, Board Chair for Fiddlehead School of Arts & Sciences was present and thanked the Commission for their prompt response to his request.  Shelley Reed commended Fiddlehead School of Arts & Sciences for their expeditious response to COVID-19 and the transition to hybrid instruction. |
| **6** | **Adjourn** |
|  | The meeting was adjourned at 1:11pm.  **Moved by Shelley Reed; seconded by John Bird and voted by roll call as follows: John Bird – yea; Dr. Fern Desjardins – yea; Wilson Hess – yea; Shelley Reed – yea; Jim Rier – yea; Nichi Farnham – absent** to adjourn. |