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November 2022 Business Meeting of the Maine Charter School Commission

Maine Charter School Commission Business Meeting – November 8, 2022 @ 1:00pm
Augusta Civic Center, Lincoln/Oxford Room, 76 Community Drive, Augusta

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Item Number	Person Responsible	Agenda Item	Commission Responsibility or Performance Framework
1	<i>Wilson</i>	Call to Order and Declare a Quorum	N/A
		<i>A Commission Member will Read the Commission's Vision Statement</i>	
2	<i>Wilson</i>	Reminders	N/A
2a		This meeting is being recorded via Zoom.	
2b		We ask members of the public to hold comments until public comments are being heard.	
2c		When speaking, state your name and speak slowly and clearly and loudly enough for the captioner to pick up your comments. Amy will interrupt if the captioner is having a difficult time hearing what is being said.	
3	<i>Wilson</i>	Comments from Commission Chair, Committee Reports and Additions or Adjustments to the Agenda	N/A
3a		<u>Comments from Commission Chair</u>	
3b		<u>Committee Reports</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● School Performance Committee ● Finance Committee ● Executive Committee 	<i>Authorizing/Monitoring and Organization and Operation</i>

3c		Additions or Adjustments to the Agenda	
4	<i>Wilson</i>	Meeting Minutes Approval	
4a		To Consider the Minutes from the October 11, 2022 Business Meeting	<i>Organization and Operation</i>
5	<i>Wilson</i>	Public Comment*	
6	<i>Wilson</i>	Presentations	
		Maine Academy of Natural Sciences' RREV Grant Award and Plans for New Agricultural/Project Barn - Matt Newberg, Head of School	
7	<i>David/Staff</i>	Executive Director/Commission Staff Report	
7a		Update on HCA Non-Renewal and Closure	<i>Authorizing/Monitoring</i>
7b		Update on Maine Connections Academy's Amendment Request to Increase Enrollment	<i>Authorizing/Monitoring</i>
7c		Proposal from Dr. Mary Madden and Associates to Conduct Maine Virtual Academy's 2022-23 Independent Third Party Evaluation	<i>Authorizing/Monitoring</i>
7d		Media Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7d.1 Maine Arts Academy in Sidney looks to relocate to former Maine Veterans' Home in Augusta • 7d.2 Harpswell charter school hunts for ways to reopen even as it plans its closure 	
8	<i>Wilson</i>	Unfinished Business	
8a		To Consider the Approval of the Commission's Staff Retirement Benefit (<i>Tabled Until Recalled</i>)	<i>Organization and Operation</i>
9	<i>Wilson</i>	New Business Requiring Approval	
9a		To Consider the Approval of ACADIA Academy's 2021-22 Annual Monitoring Report	<i>Authorizing/Monitoring</i>
9b		To Consider the Approval of Maine Virtual Academy's 2021-22 Annual Monitoring Report	<i>Authorizing/Monitoring</i>
9c		To Consider the Approval of Maine Arts Academy's Request to Incur Debt to Finance a New Facility	<i>Authorizing/Monitoring</i>

9d		To Consider the Approval of Maine Arts Academy's Request to Move to a New Facility	<i>Authorizing/Monitoring</i>
10	<i>Wilson</i>	New Business Requiring Notification and Acceptance	
10a		New Governing Board Members: <i>None</i> Resignations: <i>None</i> Term Outs: <i>None</i>	<i>Authorizing/Monitoring</i>
10b	<i>Nichi</i>	FY23 Budget vs. Actual Report	<i>Organization and Operation</i>
11	<i>David</i>	Monthly School Portfolio/Data Report	
11a		Preliminary 2022-23 Enrollment	<i>Authorizing/Monitoring</i>
12	<i>Wilson</i>	Executive Session	<i>Organization and Operation</i>
<p><i>Title 1: GENERAL PROVISIONS, Chapter 13: PUBLIC RECORDS AND PROCEEDINGS, Subchapter 1: FREEDOM OF ACCESS, §405. Executive sessions</i></p> <p><i>(A) Discussion or consideration of the employment, appointment, assignment, duties, promotion, demotion, compensation, evaluation, disciplining, resignation or dismissal of an individual or group of public officials, appointees or employees of the body or agency or the investigation or hearing of charges or complaints against a person or persons subject to the following conditions:</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><i>1) An executive session may be held only if public discussion could be reasonably expected to cause damage to the individual's reputation or the individual's right to privacy would be violated;</i></p>			
13	<i>Wilson</i>	Future Topics	
13a		December: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Maine Connections Academy's Independent Third-Party Evaluation Presentation ● Maine Virtual Academy's Independent Third-Party Evaluation Presentation ● Consider the Approval of Dr. Mary Madden and Associates' Proposal for Maine Virtual Academy's 2022-23 Independent Third Party Evaluation ● Consider the Approval of the following 2021-22 Annual Monitoring Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Baxter Academy for Technology and Science ○ Community Regional Charter School ○ Ecology Learning Center 	<i>Authorizing/Monitoring and Organization and Operation</i>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fiddlehead School of Arts & Sciences ○ Harpswell Coastal Academy ○ Maine Academy of Natural Sciences ○ Maine Arts Academy ○ Maine Connections Academy <p>January</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● To Consider the Approval of the 2021-22 Annual Report to the Commissioner 	
14	<i>Wilson</i>	Announcements	<i>N/A</i>
14a		This Month's Celebrations	<i>Organization and Operation</i>
14b		Important Dates	<i>Organization and Operation</i>
14c		Portfolio Calendar Items <i>(None Reported)</i>	<i>Organization and Operation</i>
14d		Next Regular Business Meeting – December 13, 2022 <i>(Maine Academy of Natural Sciences, 13 Easler Drive, Hinckley)</i>	<i>Organization and Operation</i>
15	<i>Wilson</i>	Adjourn	<i>N/A</i>

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