**Business Meeting**

**February 11, 2020 – 1:00pm**

**Cross Office Building – Room #541**

**Augusta**

***Law:*** *To allow charter schools to be established as public schools that: improve pupil learning by creating more high quality schools with high standards for pupil performance; close achievement gaps between high-performing and low-performing groups of public school students; increase high-quality educational opportunities within the public education system; provide alternative learning environments for students who are not thriving in traditional school settings; create new professional opportunities for teachers and other school personnel; encourage the use of different, high-quality models of teaching and other aspects of schooling; and provide students, parents, community members and local entities with expanded opportunities for involvement in the public education system. (MRSA 20-A, §2402)*

***Adopted Mission:*** *The Maine State Charter School Commission will provide thoughtful stewardship in authorizing and monitoring public charter schools consistent with State statutes to create unique, high-quality learning options for Maine students.*

**Agenda**

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| **Person Responsible** | **Item Number** | **Agenda Item** | **Commission Responsibility or Performance Framework** |
| *Nichi* | **1** | **Call to Order and Declare a Quorum** | *N/A* |
|  |  | *Note: MACS will introduce its new Executive Director.* |  |
| *Nichi* | **2** | **Reminders** | *N/A* |
|  | 2a | This meeting is being recorded. |  |
|  | 2b | Please turn your cellphones to silent or vibrate. |  |
|  | 2c | Private conversations should be held in the hallway. |  |
|  | 2d | Members of the public are asked to sign in. |  |
| *Nichi* | **3** | **Additions or Adjustments to the Agenda** | *N/A* |
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|  | **4** | **Requires Approval by the Commission** |  |
| *Nichi* | 4a | Minutes from the January 14, 2020 Business Meeting ***(Attached)*** | *Organization and Operation* |
| *Jim* | 4b | FY20 Budget vs. Actual – February Report ***(Attached)*** | *Organization and Operation* |
| *Shelley* | 4c | Harpswell Coastal Academy Amendment to School Mission ***(Attached)*** | *Authorizing* |
| *Fern* | 4d | Fiddlehead School of Arts & Sciences Professional Development Funds Request ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Bob/Jim* | 4e | 2018-19 ACADIA Academy Annual Monitoring Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Bob/Jana* | 4f | 2018-19 Baxter Academy for Technology and Science Annual Monitoring Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Bob/Shelley* | 4g | 2018-19 Community Regional Charter School Annual Monitoring Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Bob/Fern* | 4h | 2018-19 Fiddlehead School of Arts & Sciences Annual Monitoring Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Bob/Shelley* | 4i | 2018-19 Harpswell Coastal Academy Annual Monitoring Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Bob/John* | 4j | 2018-19 Maine Academy of Natural Sciences Annual Monitoring Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Bob/John* | 4k | 2018-19 Maine Arts Academy Annual Monitoring Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Bob* | 4l | 2018-19 Maine Connections Academy Annual Monitoring Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Bob* | 4m | 2018-19 Maine Virtual Academy Annual Monitoring Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Bob* | 4n | 2018-19 Annual Report to the Commissioner ***(Attached)*** | *Authorizing* |
|  | **5** | **Requires Notification to and Acceptance by the Commission** |  |
|  |  | None |  |
|  | **6** | **Monthly School Portfolio/Data Report** |  |
| *Joe Drago* | 6a | Q2 Finance Update ***(Attached)*** | *Performance Framework* |
| *Bob* | 6b | MEA Results ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Bob* | 6c | 2018-19 Chronic Absenteeism Results ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Bob* | 6d | 2018-19 Graduation Rates ***(Attached)*** | *Performance Framework* |
|  | **7** | **Executive Director/Commission Staff Report** |  |
|  |  | ***School-Related Items:*** |  |
| *Bob/Liaisons* | 7a | Mid-Year Check-In Meetings Update | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
|  |  | ***Commission-Related Items:*** |  |
| *Amy* | 7b | NWEA Training Update | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Bob* | 7c | Legislative Update | *Authorizing* |
| *Bob* | 7d | Security Training Update | *Organization and Operation* |
| *Bob* | 7e | Charter School Program Report Update | *Organization and Operation* |
| *Bob/Jim* | 7f | ED279/School Finance Discussion ***(Attached)*** | *Performance Framework* |
| *Nichi* | **8** | **Comments from Commission Members** | *N/A* |
|  | 8a | Chair |  |
|  | 8b | Vice Chair |  |
|  | 8c | School Liaisons |  |
| *Nichi* | **9** | **Announcements** | *N/A* |
|  | 9a | Turn in Travel and Expense Vouchers |  |
|  | 9b | Next Business Meeting – March 10, 2020 *(Cross Office Building – Room #103A/B)* |  |
|  | 9c | Enrollment Lottery Dates (if needed):   * ACADIA (March 18, 2020 at 5:30pm) * Baxter ***(held February 5, 2020)*** * Cornville (March 18, 2020 at 6:00pm/55 Commercial Street – Skowhegan) * Ecology Learning Center (March 30, 2020) * Fiddlehead (~~March 4, 2020 at 12:00pm;~~ March 11, 2020 at 12:00pm) * Harpswell (March 27, 2020 at 2:00pm/8 Leavitt Drive, Brunswick) * MCA (March 12, 2020 at 10:00am) * MeAA (March 27, 2020 at 2:00pm) * MeANS (~~March 25, 2020 at 5:00pm~~; March 18, 2020 at 5:00pm) * MeVA – (March 27, 2020 at 12:00pm) |  |
| *Nichi* | **10** | **Public Comment\*** | *N/A* |
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| *Nichi* | **11** | **Adjourn** | *N/A* |

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**\*** *The Charter School Commission does not allow airing of complaints in public meetings regarding Commission and charter school employees or school employment matters, in order to protect employee privacy, to comply with Maine law and pursuant to our contractual relation with the schools. To the extent that the Commission receives complaints and concerns relating to school employees in writing, those concerns will be reviewed and addressed by the Commission and its staff outside of a public meeting. This meeting is not the appropriate forum for such comments. You are free to direct your concerns in writing to the Commission’s Executive Director, if you have not done so already.*