**Business Meeting**

**March 9, 2021 – 1:00pm**

***Meeting will be held via Zoom***

***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* |
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| *Nichi* | **2** | **Reminders** | *N/A* |
|  | 2a | This meeting is being recorded via Zoom. |  |
|  | 2b | We ask that those of you who are not members of the Commission or Commission staff remain muted at all times, until public comments are being heard. |  |
|  | 2c | Pursuant to Section G-1. 1 MRSE §403-A, voting will be done via roll call. |  |
|  | 2d | Members of the public may participate during public comment. You’ll be asked to “raise your hand” using the raise hand feature on Zoom or by commenting in the chat box at the appropriate time. |  |
| *Nichi* | **3** | **Additions or Adjustments to the Agenda** | *N/A* |
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|  | **4** | **Requires Notification to and Acceptance by the Commission** |  |
| *Nichi* | 4a | To Accept Notification of New Leadership and Governing Board Members   * CRCS Governing Board – Linda Belanger ***(Attached)*** * MeANS Governing Board – Michael Muir ***(Attached)*** | *Authorizing* |
|  | **5** | **Requires Approval by the Commission** |  |
| *Nichi* | 5a | Minutes from the February 9, 2021 Business Meeting ***(Attached)*** | *Organization and Operation* |
| *Jim* | 5b | FY21 Budget vs. Actual – March Report  ***(Attached)*** | *Organization and Operation* |
| *Shelley/John* | 5c | To Consider and Approve Community Regional Charter School’s 2019-20 Annual Monitoring Report *(Previously Tabled)* | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Jeremy* | 5d | To Consider and Approve the Purchase of a Common Unified Student Information System Platform | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Jana* | 5e | To Consider and Approve ACADIA Academy’s Mid-Year Check-In Meeting Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *John* | 5f | To Consider and Approve Baxter Academy for Technology and Science’s Mid-Year Check-In Meeting Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *John* | 5g | To Consider and Approve Community Regional Charter School’s Mid-Year Check-In Meeting Report | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Nichi* | 5h | To Consider and Approve Ecology Learning Center’s Mid-Year Check-In Meeting Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Shelley* | 5i | To Consider and Approve Fiddlehead School of Arts & Sciences’ Mid-Year Check-In Meeting Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Fern* | 5j | To Consider and Approve Harpswell Coastal Academy’s Mid-Year Check-In Meeting Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Nichi* | 5k | To Consider and Approve Maine Academy of Natural Sciences’ Mid-Year Check-In Meeting Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Jim* | 5l | To Consider and Approve Maine Connections Academy’s Mid-Year Check-In Meeting Report ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
| *Jeremy* | 5m | To Consider and Approve Commission Per Diem Document | *Organization and Operation* |
|  | **6** | **Monthly School Portfolio/Data Report** |  |
|  | 6a | Resident District/Resident Town/County Breakdown ***(Attached)*** |  |
|  | **7** | **Executive Director/Commission Staff Report** |  |
| *Jeremy* |  | ***Jeremy’s Items:*** |  |
|  | 7a | Spring 2020 NWEA Map Data Update | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
|  |  | ***School-Related Items:*** |  |
| *Gina* | 7b | Enrollment Lottery Updates | *Monitoring/Oversight* |
|  |  | ***Commission-Related Items:*** |  |
| *Jeremy* | 7c | Legislative Update   * Public Hearings on LDs 380 and 430 Held on March 3, 2021 * LD 604 – “An Act To Promote Accountability in Maine’s Charter School” ***(Attached)*** | *Organization and Operation* |
| *Nichi* | **8** | **Announcements** | *N/A* |
| *Jeremy* | 8a | This Month’s Birthdays | *Organization and Operation* |
|  | 8b | Next Regular Business Meeting – April 13, 2021 *(Zoom)* | *Organization and Operation* |
| *Nichi* | **9** | **Public Comment\*** | *N/A* |
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| *Nichi* | **10** | **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.*