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- An integrated learning experience that emphasizes sustainable living practices.

Core Values

Creativity; Hands-on; Academic Excellence; Cultural Richness; Integrated; Sustainable; Mutual Respect

Employee Meeting Agenda
25 min. 5:00 – 5:25
9/12/2017

An Employee meeting is confidential. No decisions are made in the Employee meeting. Employment decisions are the direct responsibility of the Principal/CEO.

	Purpose of agenda item	Agenda item	Presenter	Min.	Time
1	Convene	Introductions, Record Attendees		2	5:00 PM
2	Presentation	Executive Session - Employee presents information to the Board of Trustees (minus any members with potential conflict of interest)	Employee	20	5:02 PM
3	Discussion	Executive Session - Employment	BoT	3	5:22 PM
4	Adjourn	Please remain aware of the time. Plan to Start Working Meeting on time.			5:25 PM



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Working Meeting Agenda

55 min. 5:30 – 6:25

9/12/2017

The working meeting is open to the public with the exception of items labeled “Executive Session.” No decisions are made in the working meeting; all decisions are made in the business meeting.

	Purpose of agenda item	Agenda item	Presenter	Min.	Time
1	Assign roles	Process: Facilitator, Timekeeper, Note taker		5	5:30 PM
2		Open Door - any staff member can come to speak to the board about concerns	Anyone	10	5:35 PM
3	Discussion	Executive Session - Employment	BoT	40	5:45 PM
4	Adjourn	Please remain aware of the time. Plan to Start Business Meeting on time.			6:25 PM



Business Meeting Agenda
135 min. 6:30 – 8:35
9/12/2017



	Purpose of agenda item	Agenda item	Presenter	Min.	Time
1	Assign roles	Introduction to Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda review (facilitator can allow time for silent reading, then request any changes, then call for consensus on the agenda) • Reading of Mission and Vision –or, if time is short, just the Core Value • Reading • Formal Consensus Reading/Review • Check in – give everyone in the room a chance to speak if possible • Call to order/Roll call: Brian Anthony, Lori Friebolin, Ben Loomis, Stephen Peters, Al Russell Approval of Minutes from previous month August 8th, 2017.	Facilitator & others	15	6:30 PM
2	Discussion	Public Comment (<i>Facilitator: first give time to any issue on the agenda, then open to comments not specifically about agenda</i>)	Anyone	10	6:45 PM
3	Proposal	The Board of Trustees approves to include John Moser as a new member of the Board of Trustees.	Board	5	6:55 PM
4	Ceremony	Induction of John Moser as he joins the Seven Generations Charter School Board of Trustees.		5	7:00 PM
5	Acknowledgment	The Board of Trustees acknowledges the resignation of Brian Anthony from the Board of Trustees. We sincerely thank Brian for his time and efforts volunteering his time to support our school		5	7:05 PM
6	Acknowledgment	The Board of Trustees acknowledges the resignation of Lori Friebolin from the Board of Trustees. We are grateful for Lori's years of volunteer service on the Board, especially for her contributions to the successful charter renewal effort last year.	Board	5	7:10 PM
7	Proposal	The Board of Trustees confirms that Al Russell will continue to serve and Ben Loomis will join as Board of Trustees Co- Coordinators. Steve Peters will continue as Treasurer and Ben Loomis will continue as Board Secretary	Board	5	7:15 PM
8	Proposal	The Board appoints the two co-coordinators of the Board to comprise the Executive Committee. This committee shall act on behalf of the Board whenever there are any necessary discussions or actions needed in between meetings of the full Board. Based on the circumstances of the situation, they shall use their discretion to determine: when a special meeting of the Board may be necessary; when phone/email consultation with other Board members is appropriate; or when actions may be delayed until the next Board meeting. Any actions taken by the Executive Committee shall be ratified by the full Board at its next regular/special meeting.	Board	10	7:20 PM

9	Proposal	The Board of Trustees approves to amend the financial presentation format as follows; The finance committee recommends to change the focus of our current financial reporting to the board from simply being a report of the prior period to one of analysis and forward-looking statements that can be used to guide board decisions. Doing so will require changing the scheduling of our finance and board meetings (currently the last and 2nd Tuesdays respectively). Thus we propose that the finance committee meeting be moved to the second Tuesday so that we can review Lee's reports and perform the appropriate analysis and that the regular board meeting be moved to the third Tuesday.	Finance Committee	15	7:30 PM
10	Proposal	The Board of Trustees approves to establish a Personnel Committee.	Board	15	7:45 PM
11	Presentation	Admin Team Report - 2017-2018 Goals	Paul Hunter	20	8:00 PM
Committee Reports (5 - 10 min. each Committees in bold have indicated that they have a report to share – facilitator, if time allows, please ask if any other committees have reports.)					
12	Presentation	<u>Board Committees</u> Finance • Bill list (Proposal to approve, 5 min) • Financial reports (5 min report) Governance and Policy - http://sevengencharterschool.blogspot.com/ Facilities Middle School Development	Lee Merendino	10	8:20 PM
13	Presentation	<u>Community Committee</u> Seven Generations PTO (Formerly Community Circle)		0	8:20 PM
14	Discussion	Time allotted for last-minute additions and/or extensions		5	8:20 PM
15	Discussion	Public Comments (on any item relating to the school)	Anyone	5	8:25 PM
16	All present have opportunity to speak	Evaluation of meeting General questions to keep in mind; but any evaluative comment is welcome: • What was the overall experience of participating in this meeting like? • Did we meet our goals for this meeting? • Was the process efficient, clear, and fair?	Anyone	5	8:30 PM
17	Adjourn	Thank you for your time and participation in the Seven Gen. community!			8:35 PM

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