

St. Coletta Special Education Public Charter School 1901 Independence Avenue, SE Washington, DC

Board Meeting May 8, 2024 6:30 pm On Zoom Draft Meeting Minutes

Welcome, roll call, and call to order.

The May Board meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM

In Attendance

Josh Lewis, Charles Henstenburg, Janel Brown, Francis Campbell, Frances Slaughter, Mike Rodrigues, Michael Olivarri, and Amy Warden.

Review of the March 2024 meeting minutes

Approval of the minutes of the previous board meeting (March 13, 2024), did not require changes thus, the Minutes were approved by all participating Board Members at 6:34 PM.

Members of the community did not join this public meeting, thus the period of open comment and questions from members of the public does not have a response.

The State of the School: Highlights and Challenges since last board meeting on 3/13/24

Headlines from School—Amy Warden, Principal.

This week is teacher appreciation week at St Coletta - variety of events for staff. Board will get a heads up before next year's teacher appreciation week to see how the Board can help out in recognizing staff. Individual parent trainings underway.

105 students on the waiting list! School anticipates filling 19 spots through the lottery.

MSSA/DLMs (required state testing) completed!

Updates to charter goals-DC PCSB unanimously voted to approve!

One out of school suspension noted.

Graduation is scheduled for July 19, 2024, (11) students are scheduled to graduate this year

Financial Report—Michael Olivarri, CFO

Tax Return Form 990 – draft provided to the Board. It was to be filed by May 15th. This is the first year preparing the form by the new audit firm, RSM McGladrey.

UPSFF Funding – As of May 1, 2024, the school has received all scheduled per-student funding, totaling \$16,529,911 (based on full enrollment of 250 students). Not included in the UPSFF total above is the amount to that to be received for Extended School Year (ESY) services.

FY25 Budget – FY25 budget preparation is in process and we are awaiting clarification regarding authorized funding from DC.

Additional comments—Mike Rodrigues, CEO

Gap funding update- Mike plus four St Coletta parents testified at recent budget hearing. Budget mark up is upcoming and we are awaiting word on additional funding for the next fiscal year.

School items for discussion

- It was noted that the Board bylaws have been updated and no additional work is needed at this time. Thank you to Shanta Bryant and Adele Robey for their leadership on this work!

- Brief update and discussion of the ongoing "branding" effort.

The meeting minutes from the May 8, 2024, SCPCSB will be reviewed and voted on during the next scheduled Charter School Board meeting on July 10, 2024.

This meeting is governed by the DC Open Meetings Act. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at opengovoffice@dc.gov.

Signed Josh Lewis, St. Coletta Public Charter School Board President and Parent Representative

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