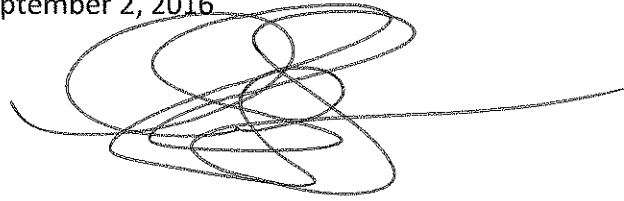


Aquarian Charter School
Academic Policy Committee Special Meeting
Meeting Minutes
September 2, 2016

Members Present (Quorum):

Greg Carr
Meghan Steenburgh
Nicole Thibodeau
Melissa McDermott
Laura Kanyer
Hope McClurg
Lynda Van Winkle



Nonvoting Members Present:

Lucas Saltzman



Meeting called to order: 3:32 PM

No visitors

Topic: Grace period for Mathematics block compression

- Special meeting called and noticed (with proposed topic) more than 24 hours prior
- Purpose of Special Meeting to discuss mathematics block time compression
 - Charter calls for 1 hour and 15 minutes of math
 - APC board members respect Aquarian's charter and proposed (attached) motion
- Discussion points followed:
 - Need for motion itself
 - To show good faith toward charter adherence and recognition of potential substantive change to the charter
 - Pros & Cons
 - Pros: More time for literacy
 - Cons: Impact on parents b/c less time for math homework in the classroom; children more tired at end of day
 - Best practices in other schools
 - Most, if not all, teach math for 60 minutes
 - Whether charter explicitly allows for experimentations like this
 - Those present believe you must test before you adopt and, therefore, it is logically reasoned that there is implicit approval for experimenting with changes prior to adopting them and changing the charter
 - Conversation has just begun and will continue in earnest, as stated in the motion
- Motion moved by Melissa McDermott; Second by Greg Carr
- Motion passed unanimously by those present

Meeting Adjourned: 3:40 PM

Next Meeting: September 26 at 5:45 PM

Aquarian Charter School
Academic Policy Committee
Special Meeting Notice & Agenda

Meeting Information

Date: September 2, 2016

Time: 3:30pm

Location: Aquarian Charter School Library

Topic: Grace period for Mathematics block compression

1. Meeting Call to Order
2. Visitors (Each allotted 3 minutes to speak.)
3. Committee Updates / Old Business / New Business
 - a. Bylaws / Charter Update
4. Adjourn Meeting

Next APC Meeting:

Date: Monday, September 26, 2016

Time: 5:45 p.m.