AGENDA

September 7th, 2022

The Renaissance Charter School

Meeting of the Board of Trustees

1. Chairperson’s Message – 3 minutes

2. Roll Call – 2 minutes

3. Approval of Last Month’s Minutes – 5 minutes

4. School Management Team Report – 10 minutes

5. Board Members’ New Business – 10 minutes

6. Public Speaking - TBD

7. Adjournment of Public Meeting

8. Executive Session

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1. Chairperson’s Message – 3 minutes
   a. Welcome message by Monte Joffee

2. Roll Call – 2 minutes
   a. Present: Monte Joffee, Everett Boyd, Stacey Gauthier, Daniel Fanelli, Chester Hicks, Rebekah Oaks, Raymond Johnson

3. Approval of Last Month’s Minutes – 5 minutes
   a. Minutes approved by acclamation

4. School Management Team Report – 10 minutes
   a. Our PD time is 4 days of PD. Students are coming on Monday
   b. Dare to Prepare – Starting tomorrow students will come over the following 2 days to get their schedule, Swag, Planners, along with many other Logistical items that they need. For the year.
   c. Highlighting teachers, our new teachers in the monthly newsletters

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d. Enrollment - we were enrolled fully, but as students come and go, we will back fill our seats

e. Fire on roof top - happened in the middle of the night, we don’t believe it was a human re-
lated action that caused it. They believe it may have been from a lightning strike.

   i. The fire department did a lot of damage, but the greenhouse was not affected thank-
        fully, we will still open, but we will keep everything closed on the roof until we get it
        fixed. We will be pursuing the insurance claim to get it fixed, perhaps DOE will pay
        some money as well

f. Sandra Leaving – Ariel and Nicole doing ELA, very excited about the

g. ELA scores are much higher than years in the past, Math we took a hit. We will be looking
    into the data to see the comparison with the city and the state. We will provide an update as
    we get additional data

h. COVID – The majority of the restrictions were removed. Vaccinations are mandated for
    staff but not for students. We encourage student still to get that. Also please go and get your
    Flu vaccine. If families don’t get their required vaccinations they can be excluded from
    schools, there are no religious exemptions

i. Language Programing – We will be offering afterschool Spanish for students in K-5 if fami-
    lies still want students to learn both.

   i. In 6th and 9th grade we will have a heritage program and language program for both
       grades and the program will grow year over year

   ii. Mandarin will expand to the Middle school next year with a second teacher

j. Head of the office of charter schools is Lisa Long, we are excited to work with her.

k. Chancellor’s office – Erin Cochran is the interim acting head, equally excited to work with
    her.

l. Reporting - In the middle of the Annual Report, Data Points, School quality Data Report.
   We are working on the Summer School Boost Report. All reports will be shared with the
   Board.

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m. Shaker came on to our town hall to welcome all the parents

n. Grants Update– Peggy H:

   i. Two Leadership program grants.

   ii. Re-applying for the FFA grant.

   iii. Received capital funding from the Council, we are working on where to apply the funding of 400K.

      1. We were given 50k to renovate the gym. We are working on getting that money shifted to the auditorium to upgrade that space first.

   iv. Re-applied for TREE

   v. Debate team for the school – Jason George maybe interested in this program.

   vi. 20k for the kitchen service line, unfortunately it is back ordered.

   vii. We won the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable grant

   viii. Stacey N. Will present our Federal Grants to another Board meeting in the future

o. Vape Lawsuit - The suit was won; we hope to be get some money to purchase the vape detectors for our bathrooms.

p. Per-pupil Lawsuit - Because of a conflict we couldn’t join the lawsuit

q. Advocacy – Had a positive meeting with Joseph Addabbo. We have a few additional up and coming meetings with other local elected officials

r. Margaret Martinez-Deluca Memorial – Bank Street College Auditorium 2:00-3:15 September 22nd

s. Francine Smith’s Memorial – thank you to everyone who came, it was wonderful to Remember her life.

5. Board Members’ New Business – 10 minutes

   a. Education committee will meet with the SMT once the annual report is complete

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