

**Seacoast Charter Academy
School Board Meeting Minutes
October 3, 2024**

Attendance:

Marla Stremmel
Randy Modlin
Nicole Smashion
Charlie Schmitt
Angel Gastfield
Elton Brooke

AGENDA ITEM #1 – OPENING CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Schmitt called the Meeting to order at 5:03pm.

AGENDA ITEM #2 – APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE LAST BOARD MEETING

On motion from Angel Gastfield and second Elton Brooke, the board approved the June 06, 2024 minutes. With all in favor the motion to accept minutes, as is, is accepted.

AGENDA ITEM #3 – PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

AGENDA ITEM #4A -C– FINANCE REPORT, BUDGET, AUDIT

Monthly Financial and Budget for 2023-2024 school year was presented to the Board. Mr. Modlin went over the budget with the Board with minimum enrollment, staffing, salaries, expenditures, grants, and any additional questions. The board received the original budget that was submitted in June and voted via email to submit and in September the numbers were adjusted to current enrollment. The fund balance at the end of the year was \$2,077,715 which was an increase of \$239,096 from the previous year. We continued to take advantage of IntraFi Sweep account to transfer funds to money market accounts to earn interest and be insured by the FDIC because their limit is \$250,000. The balance we have in the money market accounts is \$2,074,578. The budget was presented and motion to accept by Elton Brooke, and second by Angel Gastfield. The Board approved.

Mr. Modlin also went over the 2024 Audit. The auditors made an accrual for \$30,705.86 per DCSB for funds received in August 2024 which pertained to the previous calendar year.

AGENDA ITEM #4D – ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

Admissions & Enrollment: We continued to enroll students since the school year started. Maximum enrollment is 514 K-5 with 40 in VPK and we are currently at 443 with an additional 40 students in VPK. We have an increase of 14 students so far this year from last year.

Grade	10/3/2024	10/5/2023 Total	Max # of Student	Available
Kindergarten	73	78	90	17
1 st Grade	76	88	90	14
2 nd Grade	84	71	90	7
3 rd Grade	79	73	90	11
4 th Grade	70	66	88	18
5 th Grade	62	53	66	4
Elementary Totals	444	429	514	71

New Staff:

Kinder: Mrs. Ballard

1st Grade: Ms. Betensky

2nd : Grade: Ms. Hancock

4th Grade –Mrs. Megerle, Mrs. Zellner

Guidance Counselor – Riley Senn

Data Summary and Goals

Baseline assessments for the 2024-2025 school year have been completed for all grades (K-5). Each grade is assessed using both the state-mandated tool (STAR for K-2; FAST for 3-5), as well as the i-Ready program diagnostic. The following tables summarize the comparative data for each assessment type by grade. **Overarching annual goals include** for all students to make at least one year's growth from their incoming baseline by May 2025. We aim to improve overall grade level proficiency by at least 10% over the previous year's average. **To achieve these goals**, we have implemented strategic staffing of dedicated support personnel to assist with facilitating targeted interventions. We have also launched a tutoring program for strategically identified students in grades K-5, and continue to support core teachers with professional development opportunities on researched-based strategies for providing effective differentiated instruction.

STAR (Grades K-2)		
Subject	2024 PM1 Average Scale Score - SCA	2024 PM1 Average Scale Score - DCPS
Grade K ELA	93	97
Grade K Math	87	85
Grade 1 ELA	112	120
Grade 1 Math	111	117
Grade 2 ELA	154	153
Grade 2 Math	145	145

i-Ready Diagnostic 1		
Subject	2024 i-Ready D1 Average Scale Score	i-Ready On-Grade Level Target Score
Grade K ELA	341	362
Grade K Math	334	362
Grade 1 ELA	385	434
Grade 1 Math	366	402
Grade 2 ELA	442	489
Grade 2 Math	393	428

STAR data indicates the Kindergarten and Grade 1 students have come in slightly below the district average in ELA. This data implies that there is work to be done, particularly in the area of early literacy skills. Initial i-Ready reporting indicates that 25% of students in reading and 12% of students in math are currently performing on-grade level. Of those students not yet performing on-grade level, 49% in reading and 62% in math are projected to achieve adequate growth with additional strategic support.

FAST (Grades 3-5)		
Subject	2024 PM1 Average Scale Score - SCA	2024 PM1 Average Scale Score - DCPS
Grade 3 ELA	179	183
Grade 3 Math	170	173
Grade 4 ELA	194	198
Grade 4 Math	186	190
Grade 5 ELA	212	208
Grade 5 Math	199	203

i-Ready Diagnostic 1		
Subject	2023 i-Ready D1 Average Scale Score	i-Ready On-Grade Level Target Score
Grade 3 ELA	472	511
Grade 3 Math	414	449
Grade 4 ELA	517	557
Grade 4 Math	439	465
Grade 5 ELA	560	581
Grade 5 Math	460	480

FSA/FAST averages have incrementally increased over the previous three years, and we achieved an increase in overall proficiency of 9% (4 points). As one of our goals for this year is to continue to improve overall grade level proficiency by at least 10%, we will need to achieve an overall proficiency average of at least 59% on PM3. The average scores from this year's FAST PM1 in all areas are closely aligned with the Duval County averages, which indicates that we are at a good starting place and with strategically planned instruction we should see significant growth by the second and third assessment periods. i-Ready data highlights Grade 3 and Grade 4 ELA as having the greatest discrepancy between the current average score and the target score, so those areas will be heavily supported with targeted intervention and strategic supports.

Past FSA/FAST Average Proficiency by Grade and Subject			
Grade Subject	2021-2022 SY	2022-2023 SY	2023-2024 SY
3rd ELA	62	52	59
4th ELA	55	61	54
5th ELA	53	42	54
3rd Math	66	56	62
4th Math	47	35	51
5th Math	11	55	42
5th Science	44	45	56
Overall	49	50	54

AGENDA ITEM #5A – OUT OF FIELD NOTICES

Out of Field Staff:

Our ELL population continues to grow we have 118 students in grades K-5. The following teachers Out of Field with their ESOL endorsement. They are: Mrs. Ballard, Ms. Albouhosn, Ms. Luckie, Mrs. Bullock, Ms. Goyco & Ms. Edwards, Mrs. Megerle, Ms. Handcock, Ms. Morgan, Mrs. Livesay, Mrs. Turrisi, Ms. Miller. Angel Gastfield moved to accept Out of Field Teachers and Elton Brooke seconded and motion was approved.

AGENDA ITEM #5B – TEACHER ALLOCATION PLAN

Mrs. Stremmel had presented the Teacher Allocation Plan to the Board. Seacoast received additional funds in the 2023-2024 school year to support this plan in the amount of \$33,910. This made the new base for staff as \$44,356 with increases as outlined in the budget for current staff. Mrs. Stremmel reviewed all changes with the Board and explained any future changes with the 80% allocation going to instructional staff and 20% going to additional staff and staff that had met the threshold of \$47,500. Charlie Schmitt motioned to approve the plan and Elton Brooke seconded and the Board approved.

AGENDA ITEM #8 – Grant Updates

Mrs. Stremmel presented to the Board the grant updates for the 2024-2025 school year. The plans were presented to the Board for Title 1, 2 & 4. Elton Brooke motioned to accept the plans as reviewed and Nicole Smaashion seconded and the Board approved.

All ESSER grants have been completed and expended as of 9/30/2024. We currently have Title 1 PFEP at \$3400 which includes items for parent resource room, Math, reading and science night activities. Also, \$274,320 which includes salaries for reading and math interventionist, paraprofessionals, and field trips.

Title II: \$ 20,241.87 – this includes mentor teacher stipend, online professional development, curriculum coordinator portion of salary, conferences

Title IV: \$15,591.88 – this includes character education curriculum, scholastic magazines, online programs for teachers and students, exercise club stipends and music equipment.

AGENDA ITEM #5D: Insurance Benefits

Mrs. Stremmel presented the 24-25 benefit package for employees increasing employer cost to give greater benefit to employees. We increased employer cost to 20% which give employees a decrease in their portion. Mrs. Stremmel went over the various plans and the annual cost to the employee and Seacoast. Mr. Brooke moved to except the proposed package and Angel Gastfield seconded and the board approved.

AGENDA ITEM #7 - ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Elton Brooke and seconded by Angel Gastfield the board reached a consensus to adjourn the meeting at approximately 5:52pm.



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Angel Gastfield, Board Member

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