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**JOINT SCHOOL BOARD-GOVERNANCE COUNCIL
CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
April 11, 2023 – 3:45 p.m.
Waupaca High School Community Room and [Live Stream](#)**

Welcome and Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chairperson Dale Feldt at 3:45 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present in the WHS Community Room: Chairperson Dale Feldt and Committee members Steve Klismet, Betty Manion, Megan Sanders, Sandy Robinson, and Becky Lange. Additionally, Board members Stephen Johnson and Ron Brooks were present.

Also Present:

Present in the WHS Community Room: Ron Saari, Sandy Lucas, Mark Flaten, and Carrie Naparalla.

Approval of Agenda:

A motion was made by Steve Klismet and seconded by Betty Manion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

Review of Committee Meeting Norms and Commitments:

The Committee reviewed their collective norms and commitments.

One-Year Contract:

Committee member Sandy Robinson advised that the CEC GC approved the wrong version of the one-year contract. The correct copy will be brought to the GC for approval at their meeting next month.

Review and Revise Draft Multi-Year Contract:

Chairperson Feldt advised that the Committee will continue to follow the WRCCS model contract and GC's draft contract to create the new multi-year contract. We will begin by reviewing the yellow and green highlighted wording from the last meeting.

Article 1 Definitions:

Paragraph #3 was amended to include what was originally Section 2.6 Facilities.

The Committee discussed whether a definition for "Operational Budget" should be added and if so, what that would be. It was suggested the definition from #9 of the WRCCS model contract be used. Much discussion was also had regarding the meaning of "fund balance" as it relates to the Charter School. Director of Teaching and Learning Mark Flaten suggested that the reference to fund balance be stricken from the Operational Budget definition. An inquiry was made as to whether a definition was really needed at all if we don't reference it anywhere else in the contract. The Committee determined to leave it green for now and it will come back to it.

The Committee agreed with the definitions for Instrumentality and Autonomy that were discussed last week, but struck the parenthetical phrase at the end of the definition for Instrumentality to make it more clear.

Article 2 Parties, Authority, and Responsibilities:

Discussion was had regarding Section 2.3 relating to the Community Garden. Mrs. Robinson advised that it would not add to the liability of the SDW. The Committee agreed to the revised Section 2.3 with the additional amended wording.

Mr. Feldt advised that Section 2.6 can now be stricken because it is included in the Definitions.

Chairperson Feldt inquired as to the purpose of Section 2.7 Inspections. Mrs. Robinson advised that it is part of benchmark 7.6. Much discussion was then had regarding the notice when it comes to inspections. The Committee agreed to keep this section but amended the wording.

Section 2.8 is already in Section 3.2; and the Committee agreed to keep Section 2.9 as is.

Article 3 Charter School Program Description:

Former Recitals r3 and r4 were moved to Sections 3.1 and 3.2 respectively, and were further revised.

Discussion was had regarding the need for titles at the beginning of each section, as well as whether the statutory references were needed throughout. Mrs. Robinson advised that the statutory references were associated with the sections because they are mentioned in the benchmarks.

Section 3.2 was further revised by adding subparagraph (a) incorporating Section 3.2 from the WRCCS contract. Mr. Feldt advised that if we follow the benchmarks, we need to also add a new subparagraph (b) under Section 3.2 from the WRCCS contract. There was some discussion relating to the administrative services the District provides to the CECGC. In the end, the Committee agreed to move Section 9.6 to Section 3.2b. The Committee agreed with Chairperson Feldt's suggestion that we list the definitions of each administrative service here rather than later on in the contract.

Then under Section 3.2b, Mr. Feldt advised we need subparagraphs 1, 2, etc., for each definition of each administrative service, such as Equal Funding (current Section 9.1). It will move this section to Section 3.2b.1 (as it refers to benchmark 16). There were some concerns raised regarding the word "equal". It was suggested that perhaps "equitable" may be a better term, as cost per pupil is different at each school. But others argued that equitable is open to interpretation and could cause problems. The Committee agreed to highlight this section in green for further discussion.

Due to time constraints, Chairperson Feldt asked the Committee (as a homework assignment) to look for the administrative services that are in the GC draft contract to see which ones we want to include as subparagraphs under Section 3.2b. In addition, he is looking for how they want to describe Equal Funding (Section 9.1).

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Steve Klismet and seconded by Betty Manion to adjourn the meeting at 5:03 p.m. The motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.