**Business Meeting**

**August 11, 2020 – 1:00pm**

***Meeting will be held via Zoom***

***Law:*** *To allow charter schools to be established as public schools that: improve pupil learning by creating more high quality schools with high standards for pupil performance; close achievement gaps between high-performing and low-performing groups of public school students; increase high-quality educational opportunities within the public education system; provide alternative learning environments for students who are not thriving in traditional school settings; create new professional opportunities for teachers and other school personnel; encourage the use of different, high-quality models of teaching and other aspects of schooling; and provide students, parents, community members and local entities with expanded opportunities for involvement in the public education system. (MRSA 20-A, §2402)*

***Adopted Mission:*** *The Maine State Charter School Commission will provide thoughtful stewardship in authorizing and monitoring public charter schools consistent with State statutes to create unique, high-quality learning options for Maine students.*

**Agenda**

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| **Person Responsible** | **Item Number** | **Agenda Item** | **Commission Responsibility or Performance Framework** |
| *Nichi* | **1** | **Call to Order and Declare a Quorum** | *N/A* |
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| *Nichi* | **2** | **Reminders** | *N/A* |
|  | 2a | This meeting is being held as a Zoom webinar. |  |
| *Nichi* | **3** | **Additions or Adjustments to the Agenda** | *N/A* |
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|  | **4** | **Requires Approval by the Commission** |  |
| *Nichi* | 4a | Minutes from the June 9, 2020 Business Meeting ***(Attached)*** | *Organization and Operation* |
| *Jim* | 4b | FY20 Budget vs. Actual – Year End Report ***(Attached)*** | *Organization and Operation* |
| *Jim* | 4c | FY21 Budget vs. Actual – August Report ***(Attached)*** | *Organization and Operation* |
|  | 4d | Election of Officers | *Organization and Operation* |
| *Nichi* | 4e | To Consider and Approve Maine Virtual Academy’s Request to Amend Enrollment ***(Attached)*** | *Monitoring* |
| *Gina* | 4f | To Consider and Approve Ecology Learning Center’s Pre-Opening Report  | *Monitoring* |
|  | **5** | **Requires Notification to and Acceptance by the Commission** |  |
|  | 5a | To Consider and Accept the Resignation of Bob Kautz as Executive Director of the Maine Charter School Commission | *Organization and Operation* |
|  | **6** | **Monthly School Portfolio/Data Report** |  |
|  |  | None |  |
|  | **7** | **Executive Director/Commission Staff Report**  |  |
|  |  | ***School-Related Items:*** |  |
|  |  | None |  |
|  |  | ***Commission-Related Items:*** |  |
|  | 7a | Commission Support During COVID-19 ***(Attached)*** | *Organization and Operation* |
|  | 7b | 2020 NACSA Leadership Conference ***(Attached)*** | *Organization and Operation/Authorizing* |
|  | 7c | Plan for In-Person/Zoom Option for MCSC Business Meetings | *Organization and Operation* |
|  | 7c | “Education Action Forum of Maine” ***(Attached)*** | *Organization and Operation* |
|  | 7d | FY22-23 Budget Discussion  | *Organization and Operation* |
| *Nichi* | **8** | **Comments from Commission Members** | *N/A* |
|  | 8a | Chair |  |
|  | 8b | Vice Chair |  |
|  | 8c | School Liaisons |  |
|  | 8d | Search Committee Update with Possible Executive Session |  |
| *Nichi* | **9** | **Announcements** | *N/A* |
| *Amy* | 9a | Submission of Travel and Expense Vouchers |  |
|  | 9b | Special Commission Meeting |  |
|  | 9c | Next Regular Business Meeting – September 8, 2020 *(Location to Be Determined)* |  |
| *Nichi* | **10** | **Public Comment\*** | *N/A* |
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| *Nichi* | **11** | **Adjourn** | *N/A* |

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**\*** *The Charter School Commission does not allow airing of complaints in public meetings regarding Commission and charter school employees or school employment matters, in order to protect employee privacy, to comply with Maine law and pursuant to our contractual relation with the schools. To the extent that the Commission receives complaints and concerns relating to school employees in writing, those concerns will be reviewed and addressed by the Commission and its staff outside of a public meeting. This meeting is not the appropriate forum for such comments. You are free to direct your concerns in writing to the Commission’s Executive Director, if you have not done so already.*