Attendees:

- Present: Kristina Vargo and Emma Bullock.

- Non-voting board associates present: Dr. Ronny Knox, SHSU Charter School Superintendent; Alicia Hernandez, M.Ed., SHSU Charter School Principal; Lisa Box, Administrative Associate; Richard Ray, Charter School Business Manager; and Ginger Youn, TSUS Office of General Counsel.

- Reverend Valerie Sansing, Pastor of Spring Community Church, and her guest, Reverend Cletis Rogers, Associate Pastor of Spring Community Church, also attended.

1. Call to Order and No Quorum Established
   - Dr. Kristina Vargo, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m., and noted a quorum was not present.

2. Approval of Minutes
   - Minutes of the December 6, 2022 Board Meeting were not approved. This matter was tabled for a later meeting.

3. Superintendent’s Report
   - Campus Updates
     - Principal Hernandez provided the following:
       - Presentation of Perfect Attendance Awards. Mrs. Hernandez read the names of the students who attained perfect attendance during the second nine weeks. Each will receive an award. Isabella Olivas was in attendance with her parents to receive her award.
       - Principal Hernandez noted the upcoming lottery drawing to be held February 10, 2023 for the 2023-24 enrollment. Students will be reviewing their benchmark testing achievements. They just finished the fall Gifted and Talented (GT) campaigns for campus “Kid Presidents.”
       - Attendance incentives have been instituted for both teachers and students.
       - Principal Hernandez also acknowledged two new SHSU Charter School talents: Richard Ray, Budget Manager, and Dr. Omoboiyi David-Ojumu, Student Support.
       - The SHSU Charter School is seeking to hire a diagnostician and a new Superintendent for the 2023-24 school year.
       - Dr. Knox announced that the SHSU Charter School Robotics Team will be going to San Jacinto Community College this week.
       - A video showing SHSU Charter School students expressing their reasons “Why I Love Being a Bearkat.”
   - The State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR®) Benchmark Progress Update
     - Principal Hernandez went over the highlights of the second nine weeks benchmark testing and the STAAR® practice test results. On the STAAR® practice test, 50-53% is considered passing. The results are published in the Bearkat Buzz.
   - Charter Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) Report
     - Dr. Knox discussed the Charter FIRST report. The Charter School received a passing score in all seven indicators. The complete financial report was submitted to the Texas Education Agency (TEA).
   - Financial Reporting
     - Dr. Knox presented the financial report which was prepared by Richard Ray.

  ○ Student Enrollment
  
  Dr. Knox provided the following:
  
  ▪ Enrollment was 488 as of January 20, 2023.

  ○ COVID-19 Update
  
  Dr. Knox provided the following:
  
  ▪ Dr. Knox stated no positive COVID cases were reported on campus, but there were some cases during winter break.

  ○ Conflict of Interest Form
  
  ▪ Signature by Board members on the Conflict of Interest Form was tabled for a later meeting due to less than a quorum being present.

  ○ School Board Recognition
  
  ▪ Dr. Knox acknowledged the commitment of all Board members and thanked them for their service. Each Board member will receive a Starbucks® “Thanks A Latte,” gift card as a token of appreciation.

4. Public Comments

  • No public comments were presented.

5. Adjourn

  • No business was conducted due to less than a quorum being present. Dr. Kristina Vargo announced the meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Dr. Kristina Vargo, Chair