







**\*7.2.8** Name: Linda Ashton  
Position: Classroom Teacher  
Appointment: 10 Month Position – 1.0 FTE  
Status: Exempt - Salary  
Salary: Commensurate with approved Salary Scale and verification of previous employment  
Effective: August 17, 2021

**\*7.3** **RESOLVED, based upon the recommendation of the Head of School that the Board of Trustees** votes to approve the following transfer:

**\*7.3.1** Name: Leslie Stauss  
From: Long Term Building Sub  
Appointment: 10 Month Position – 1.0 FTE  
Status: Exempt - Salary  
Salary: \$39,500.00  
  
To: Physical Education Teacher  
Appointment: 10 Month Position – 1.0 FTE  
Status: Exempt - Salary  
Salary: Commensurate with approved Salary Scale and verification  
Effective Date: 8/23/2021

## **8.0** **OLD BUSINESS**

**8.1** Having reluctantly accepted the resignation of Board of Trustees Treasurer and Founding BOT Member Ryan Caster, effective August 31, 2021, the BOT wishes to acknowledge his valuable contribution to the Board and to the success of REACH Academy Charter School and its families. The Board along with the Administrative Team thanks Ryan for his years of service to the school.

## **9.0** **NEW BUSINESS**

**9.1** **RESOLVED, based upon the recommendation of the Head of School that the Board of Trustees** votes to approve the attached Benefit Package for 12 Month REACH Academy Charter School Administrative Staff.

Moved by: Chris Arnold      Seconded by: Christine Mann      Vote: 4-0

- 9.2 **RESOLVED, based upon the recommendation of the Head of School that the Board of Trustees** votes to approve the attached Benefit Package for 12 Month REACH Academy Charter School employees.

Moved by: Chris Arnold      Seconded by: Christine Mann      Vote: 4-0

- 9.3 **RESOLVED, based upon the recommendation of the Head of School that the Board of Trustees** votes to approve the appointment of Christine Mann as Interim BOT Treasurer to commence September 1, 2021.

Moved by: Chris Arnold      Seconded by: Susan Dunkle      Vote: 4-0

- 9.4 **RESOLVED, based upon the recommendation of the Head of School that the Board of Trustees** votes to approve the first reading of the attached Social Networking and Blogging Policy.

Moved by: Christine Mann      Seconded by: Susan Dunkle      Vote: 4-0

- 9.5 **RESOLVED, based upon the recommendation of the Head of School that the Board of Trustees** votes to approve two Non-Material revisions to be included in the REACH Academy Charter School 2021 Charter Renewal submission.

**Proposed Non-Material Revision #2:**

The REACH Academy Charter School Board of Trustees respectfully requests approval for a new and/or renovated brick and mortar facility that will be located in the City of Buffalo, in the State of New York.

REACH Academy is presently exploring available properties within the City of Buffalo limits. No expansion outside the boundaries of the District of Location (Buffalo City School District) will be considered. Additionally, REACH Academy is considering expansion options at the current 115 Ash Street, Buffalo New York 14204 location.

**Justification:**

The REACH Academy Charter School facility, located at 115 Ash Street, will be at capacity at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. Additional space will be needed in order to house grade levels 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>..

**Proposed Timeline: Upon approval by The Board of Regents, REACH Academy plans to occupy a new or renovated structure for the 2022-2023 school year.**

**Proposed Non-Material Revision #3:**

In order to seek growth in the enrollment of English as a New Language (ENL) families, and to work toward meeting a similar ENL population benchmark as the District of Location (Buffalo City School District), the REACH Academy Charter School Board of Trustees respectfully requests approval for a Weighted Lottery beginning with the 2022-2023 school year. Additionally, REACH Academy will begin enrolling Scholars for the next academic school year immediately rather than waiting until February 1 as the original charter states.

**Justification:**

With a Weighted Lottery, applicants who identify as ENL would receive a slightly better chance for admission, thereby increasing the likelihood of enrollment. It too would support REACH Academy Charter School (RACS) to become a more diverse school.

In reference to beginning enrollment immediately, rather than February 1 as stated in the original charter, REACH Academy will be able to service parents and guardians immediately rather than waiting for an arbitrary date to sign up at RACS.

**Proposed Timeline: Upon approval by The Board of Regents, REACH Academy plans to enact the Weighted Lottery for the 2022-2023 school year.**

Moved by: Christine Mann      Seconded by: Susan Dunkle      Vote: 4-0

**10.0 ADJOURNMENT- 7:14PM**

**RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees** votes to adjourn the meeting.

Moved by: Chris Arnold      Seconded by: Susan Dunkle      Vote: 4-0

The next meeting of the BOT is scheduled for Thursday, September 30, 2021 **at 6:15 P.M.**