



Maine Connections Academy, Inc. (MCA)
BOARD MEETING

Pursuant to the Maine Open and Public Meeting Laws, notice is hereby given to the members of the MCA Board and the general public that the MCA Board will hold a meeting open to the public on:

Date and Time:

Friday, October 18, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.

Held at the following location:

8 Science Park Road
3rd Floor
Scarborough, ME 04074

Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented on the agenda at the discretion of the Chair.

Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate persons with a disability. Please contact Lauren Thompson at 207-805-3254.

BOARD AGENDA

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call – A. Linscott
- II. Public Comment – A. Linscott

The Board encourages members of the public to offer comments and express opinions on both specific actions to be taken by the Board, as well as any other issue directly related to the operation of the School. In accordance with this policy, any individual may address the Board on agenda or non-agenda items during the public comment period as long as they meet any legal provisions governing participation at public meetings. Individuals may present either in-person or by telephone.

In-person participants

To be recognized by the Chair, an individual must provide their name and a short description of the agenda item they wish to comment on to the Chair, along with any materials they want to have distributed to Board members, before the scheduled start of the meeting. The Chair will then announce the individual's name at the appropriate time during the meeting. Each individual will be granted up to three (3) minutes to make his or her presentation. If requested, the Chair may grant additional time to individuals, circumstances permitting. After completion of any such presentation, the Chair shall ask whether there is any further public comment on the item at which time any member of the public present may come forward and make his or her presentation (which may be limited to three (3) minutes at the Chair's discretion).

Individuals desiring to make a formal presentation to the Board on an item not on the agenda but desiring it be placed on the agenda must provide notice and written submissions detailing the subject of the presentation to the School Principal at least fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting. Any such presentations shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes in duration, unless otherwise permitted by the Chair. In addition, an individual may raise the issue during public comment and request that it be placed on a future agenda. No action can be taken by the Board until such item has been included on an agenda in accordance with the Open Meeting Laws.

Teleconference participants

Individuals who wish to address the Board telephonically should contact the School Principal by phone or by email at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the Board meeting. The individual shall provide his/her name, a phone number where he/she may be reached during the meeting, and a short description of the topic he/she wishes to address. If the individual wants to provide any written materials to the Board, these should be emailed to the School Principal at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the meeting. The School Principal will list these requests in the order in which they are received and provide them, along with copies of any materials submitted to the Board's Chair before the start of the meeting. Individuals who wish to participate will be called at the number they provided in the order in which they contacted the school, and will be granted up to three (3) minutes to make the presentation. If requested, the Chairperson may grant additional time to individuals, circumstances permitting. After completion of such presentations, the Chair shall ask whether there is any further public comment on the item at which time any member of the public present (telephonically or otherwise) may make his or her presentation (which may be limited to three minutes at the Chair's discretion).

Telephonic participants should be aware that there is no established time when they may be contacted to speak except that they will be called after the scheduled start of the meeting and before the Board considers the items the participant wishes to address. The total time for any individual to present, either in person or via telephone, shall not exceed three (3) minutes (depending upon the number of speakers), unless the Board grants additional time. Individuals who are attending the meeting in person may be given the first preference in speaking and for the duration requested.

In addition to the above, any Board member may ask a member of the public present to answer brief questions or make comments on an agenda item under discussion in order to gather information before deliberating on a decision.

- III. Audit Committee, Committee of the Entire Board
 - a. Review and Acceptance of the 2018-2019 School Year Financial Audit Report (to follow) – A. Trunnell

- IV. Routine Business – A. Linscott
 - a. Approval of Agenda
 - b. Approval of Minutes from the September 20, 2019 Board Meeting (attached)
 - c. Approval of Staffing Report (attached)

- V. Oral Reports
 - a. Financial Report (to follow) – A. Trunnell/ A. Linscott
 - i. Review and Approval of Financial Report and Connections Academy of Maine, LLC Invoices for September (attached)

- b. School Leader's Report (MSR attached) – W. Wallace
 - i. Science Lab Update – B. Look
 - ii. Final Results of the 2018-2019 Goals, State Testing Results and State of the School Report (to follow)
 - iii. Approval of School Focus Goals for the 2019-2020 School Year (attached)
 - iv. Emergency Management Plan Discussion (attached)
 - v. Approval of Employee Handbook Revision(s): Transportation of Students by Staff and Student Home Visits (attached)
 - vi. Approval of Closing Enrollment on February 14, 2020 for the 2019-2020 School Year

- VI. Action Items

- VII. Information Items
 - a. Legislative Update – C. Weston
 - b. School Leadership Team (PSLT) Update – K. Clements
 - i. School Operations Metrics (attached)

- VIII. Strategic Planning
 - a. Strategic Plan Development – A. Jay

- IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Pursuant to MRSA Title 1, Chapter 13, Section 405-6 (e) – Consultations between a body or agency and its attorney concerning the legal rights and duties of the body or agency (sent under separate cover) – A. Linscott

- X. Adjournment and Next Regular Meeting Date – Friday, November 15, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.