Lynn Preparatory Charter School

Founders and Proposed Board of Trustees

This is prepared by the founding group of the proposed Lynn Preparatory Charter School.

Shawn Berry holds an M.Ed in Elementary Education and a BS in Speech Pathology and Audiology. She serves as form leader at the Salem Academy Charter School where she created and implemented a standards-based English curriculum. Ms Berry has extensive experience in special education and was the owner of a multi-age early childhood center.

Heather Brings is a member of the Education Design Team. She is an elementary school teacher with supervisory experience that includes director of a PreK-K program that has undergone the national accreditation process and services low income families of Lynn.

Elvira Casale is a licensed bilingual teacher, holds an advanced degree in Bilingual Education and speaks five languages.

Dr. Joanne Civitarese is a member of the Education Design Team. She secured a developer grant in 2009, received training through MCCPSE and is the primary author of the prospectus and application. She is the co-founder and Principal of the Hathaway School, a non-profit independent elementary school servicing Lynn students in grades K-6. She has extensive experience in educational development and design, school management and has expertise in the field of special education. Based on her outstanding credentials (licensed Superintendent, Principal and SPED Director) and Joanne's understanding of the unique model of LPCS, her previous experiences as a district-wide administrator, her entrepreneurial spirit which was called upon to start and run the Hathaway School, and her understanding of and commitment to the Lynn community, the Board believes she is the ideal candidate to serve as Executive Director of LPCS.

Allison Goldberg is a resident and business owner in Lynn and is also the mother of school aged children. Ms Goldberg earned her MS in International Marketing from Cornell University.

Mark Hathaway, CPA is the co-founder of the Hathaway School. He serves as the Chief Operating Officer for the school which includes supervision of food services, transportation, facilities management and finance. He has received his certificate of completion for the MA Certified Public Purchasing Official (MCPPO) Program. The Board believes that he is the ideal candidate to serve as LPCS Chief Operating Officer.

Lorraine Lentini is a resident of Lynn, Earned an M.Ed and is a doctoral candidate. She has 38 years of public school teaching experience and is an Assistant Professor at American International College. She has served as a consultant teaching graduate level courses in reading for the DESE.

Joanne Lind earned an M.A in Counseling and M.S in Child Development and Administration. She has a long history within the Lynn community which includes

working as a psychotherapist for several Lynn based agencies and is an Adjunct Professor at North Shore Community College and Salem State College.

Bridget McGuiness is a Lynn resident and the mother of a school age child. She earned a BS degree in Civil Engineering, has experience with OSHA based health and safety training and is a licensed residential real estate inspector.

Joseph Yannetti earned his law degree from Suffolk University and is an attorney at the law firm of Morrison Mahoney with experience in employment litigation.