

**Syringa Mountain School
Minutes: Board Work Session
As Approved
December 12, 2013**

The Syringa Mountain School Board held a board retreat/work session on December 12, 2013. Board Vice Chair Greg Bloomfield presided. The following members were in attendance:

Greg Bloomfield, Vice Chair
Ben Rogers, Treasurer
Laurie Wertich, Secretary
Travis Scott
Phoebe Pilaro
Don Keller

The following guests were present:

Dr. Mary Gervase, Syringa Mountain School Administrator
Dr. Jim Cobble

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

I. Agenda: There was a request to add a discussion about building plans at the end of the agenda.

II. Information/Action Agenda:

A. Guest Speaker: Dr. Jim Cobble

1. The differences between charter schools and traditional public schools and the financial challenges that both face.
2. Board policies and governance
3. Managing personnel

B. Re-envisioning Syringa Mountain School

1. Brainstorm session to refine language in mission and vision

C. Discussion: National Charter School Conference

1. Dr. Mary Gervase will attend; Don Keller may attend

D. Discussion: Board Meeting Location

1. Board discussed meeting location and feels comfortable with current location.

E. Discussion: Site Update

1. Graham still working to meet design review deadline
2. Discussion about starting with one single-story building.

3. Discussion about plan B being in modular buildings.

III. Next board meeting scheduled for January 2, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at WR Insurance building.

VII. Adjournment of meeting. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.