

**Lionheart Classical Academy Public Chartered School
Charter Amendment 2024**

Section IV: Governance

LCA Board of Trustees

In accordance with RSA 194-B:5, Lionheart Classical Academy Chartered Public School will be governed by up to nine (9) members of the Board of Trustees. The LCA trustees are the governing board and have authority over operations of the public charter school and will establish and approve a set of policies and procedures defining the responsibilities and authority of the School Administration. Trustees will be selected based on personal and professional backgrounds and a commitment to the school's mission, support, and sustainability. Trustees shall represent a diversity of expertise, whether external (non-LCA parents) or LCA parents:

- **Trustee(s) representing the educational community with experience in academics (recommended 2 or 3 year term)**
- **Trustee(s) representing the professional community with experience in financial management and/or accounting (recommended 2 or 3 year term)**
- **Trustee(s) representing contributors to the school who support outreach, fundraising, and grants (recommended 2 or 3 year term)**
- **Up to six additional Trustees with knowledge, expertise, background, education or training in an area of knowledge or vocation that will, in the opinion of the Board of Trustees, aid LCA in achieving its mission and vision.**

The LCA Board of Trustees shall maintain no more than a nine (9) member board, and in addition can establish ex-officio board members and/or advisors who will be non-voting. The board is not required to maintain nine (9) members but once the school officially opens for business the Board shall have at least five (5) board members, who are not of the same immediate family or related by blood or marriage. All decisions made by the LCA Board of Trustees will be determined by majority vote.

First-year trustees will be appointed for one-, two-, or three-year terms to establish initial staggered terms and governance stability. In accordance with RSA 194: B-5, a chartered public school board of trustees shall include no fewer than 25 percent or 2 parents of pupils attending the chartered public school, whichever is greater.

The trustees may appoint a new trustee to fill a vacancy if vacated but that trustee will only be allowed to serve until the original term expires, but may be renewed by a majority vote of the LCA Board of Trustees. All Trustees may serve consecutive terms if so voted by a majority. Terms for the LCA Board of Trustees are expected to be set for all members with the option to serve multiple consecutive terms, helping establish the expectation for future turnover as well as provide flexibility for continuity of experienced and high performing trustees.

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