

MINUTES

South Carolina Public Charter School District Board Meeting

SCPCSD District Office Training Room
3710 Landmark Dr., Suite 205
Columbia, SC 29204

Thursday, April 6, 2017
10 a.m.

I. Call to Order and Introductions

Mr. McLaurin called the meeting to order at 10:01 am.

II. Invocation

Mrs. Bull led the invocation.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Chappell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Mission Statement

Mrs. Staley read the Mission Statement.

V. Roll Call

Ms. Bounds called the roll. A quorum was present.

Board members present: Mr. Don McLaurin, Mrs. Linzie Staley, Ms. Kathleen Bounds, Mr. Chappell, and Mrs. Bull. Mr. John Payne was absent.

Staff members present: Mr. Elliot Smalley, Mrs. Dana Abbott, Ms. Taylor Fulcher, Mr. Hunter Schimpff, Ms. Catherine Watt, Mr. Bobby Rykard Mr. Siddhartha Chowdri, Mrs. Audrey Lane, Ms. Kerry Donahue, and Mr. Erik Norton (attorney).

VI. Consent Agenda

- A) Approval of the Agenda for the April 6, 2017 meeting.
- B) Approval of Minutes for March 9, 2017 Meeting
- C) Financial Reports
- D) Enrollment Report

Mr. Chappell moved to approve the consent agenda. Mrs. Staley seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

VII. Public Comments

The official meeting of the board is by law a public meeting and the Board values citizen input; however, in order to protect the integrity of the adopted agenda, public dialogue will be restricted to the 'Public Comments' section of the agenda or as directed by the Board chairman.

- Each speaker has two minutes.
- Speakers may not ask questions of Board Members.
- Board Members may not engage speakers in discussion.
- Disruptive behavior is not permitted.
- Personal attacks aimed at students or staff are not permitted.
- Scurrilous, obscene, or recklessly defamatory language aimed at any Board Member is not permitted.

Judge Gary Clary spoke on behalf of Lakes & Bridges charter school application.

Barbara Madison spoke on behalf of Lakes & Bridges charter school application.

Paul White spoke on behalf of Lakes & Bridges charter school application.

Pat Kelly spoke on behalf of Lakes & Bridges charter school application.

Dale Linville spoke on behalf of Lakes & Bridges charter school application.

Adam Artgluire spoke on behalf of Lakes & Bridges charter school application.

Anne Fletcher spoke on behalf of Lakes & Bridges charter school application.

Mary Carmichael spoke to the charter school application cycle process.

Betty Bagley spoke on behalf of Lakes & Bridges charter school application.

VIII. Executive Session

Mr. Chappell moved to enter executive session for the purposes of receiving legal advice. Mrs. Bull seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

IX. Information Items

- A) Superintendent's ReportElliot Smalley

Mr. Smalley spoke to the application cycle and thanked the applicants for their efforts.

X. Action Items

- A) Palmetto Classical Charter School Application Extension Request

Mrs. Abbott presented on the Palmetto Classical Charter School application extension request.

Ms. Bounds moved to approve the application extension request. Mrs. Staley seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

B) Belton Preparatory Academy Application Extension Request

Mr. Norton, the SCPCSD attorney, made a request to reschedule the hearing due to a scheduling conflict. Mr. Norton noted that the Charter Committee had waived the 90-day provision for a hearing cited in statute.

Mrs. Bull moved to extend the application extension request. Mr. Chappell seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

C) East Link Academy Charter Application Hearing

Mrs. Abbott presented the staff recommendation report for the East Link Academy charter application. The staff recommendation was to deny the application.

The East Link Academy planning committee made their presentation to the Board. It was followed by a question and answer period.

Ms. Bounds moved to approve the East Link Academy charter application. Mrs. Staley seconded and the motion carried with a 4-1 vote. (I didn't make a note of who opposedⓈ).

D) Lakes and Bridges Charter Application Hearing

Mrs. Abbott presented the staff recommendation report for the Lakes and Bridges charter application. The staff recommendation was to deny the application.

The Lakes and Bridges charter planning committee made their presentation to the Board. It was followed by a question and answer period..

Ms. Bull moved to approve Lakes and Bridges charter application. Mr. Chappell seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

E) Clear Dot Charter Application Hearing

Mrs. Abbott presented the staff recommendation report for the Clear Dot charter application. The staff recommendation was to deny the application.

The Clear Dot charter planning committee made their presentation to the Board. It was followed by a question and answer period.

Mr. Chappell moved to deny the Clear Dot charter application. Mrs. Staley seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

F) Cane Bay Preparatory Academy Charter Application Hearing

Mrs. Abbott presented the staff recommendation report for the Cane Bay charter application. The staff recommendation was to deny the application.

The Cane Bay charter planning committee made their presentation to the Board. It was followed by a question and answer period.

Mr. Chappell moved to approve the charter application. Mrs. Bounds seconded the motion. The motion did not carry with a vote of 0-5.

G) Bettis Prep Charter Application Hearing

Mrs. Abbott presented the staff recommendation report for the Bettis Prep charter application. The staff recommendation was to approve the application.

The Bettis Prep charter planning committee made their presentation to the Board. It was followed by a question and answer period.

Mrs. Bill moved to approve the Bettis Prep charter application. Mrs. Staley seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

H) Cherokee County Charter School Charter Application Hearing

Mrs. Abbott presented the staff recommendation report for the Cherokee County charter application. The staff recommendation was to deny the application.

The Cherokee County charter planning committee made their presentation to the Board. It was followed by a question and answer period.

Ms. Bounds moved to deny the Cherokee County charter application. Mrs. Bull seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

XI. Adjournment

Without objection, Mr. McLaurin adjourned the meeting at 4:49pm.

Future Meetings:		
April 7, 2017	10:00 AM	SCPCSD Board Meeting
April 20, 2017	10:00 AM	SCPCSD Board Meeting