

MINUTES

South Carolina Public Charter School District Board Meeting

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

Thursday, March 8, 2018.
10 a.m.

I. Call to Order and Introductions

Mr. McLaurin called the meeting to order at 10:01 am. Keith Callicutt was introduced as a new board member. Melissa Hughey was introduced as a new staff member.

II. Invocation

Mrs. Bull led the invocation.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Payne led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Mission Statement

Ms. Bounds read the mission statement.

V. Roll Call

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

Board members present: Mrs. Linzie Staley, Ms. Kathleen Bounds, and Mr. Chappell, and Mrs. Anne Bull, Mr. Don McLaurin, Mr. John Payne, Mr. Keith Callicutt and Ms. Beth Purcell.

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

VI. Consent Agenda

- A) Approval of the Agenda for the March 8, 2018 meeting
- B) Approval of Minutes for February 8, 2018 meeting
- C) Enrollment Report

- D) Financial Reports
- E) Polaris Tech Charter Amendment
- F) Quest Charter Amendment
- G) MAC Charter Amendment

Ms. Purcell noted a correction to the February 8, 2018 minutes.

Mr. Chappell moved to approve the consent agenda with changes to the February 8, 2018 minutes. 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.

J. Britt spoke on the Midlands Arts Conservatory charter school.

Rebecca Martin spoke on the SC Science Academy charter revocation.

VIII. Executive Session

-No executive session needed

IX. Action Items

A) MOA with Denied Transfer Schools.....Don McLaurin

The executive committee moved to approve the MOA of denied transfer schools. The motion carried unanimously.

B) SC Science Academy Revocation Recommendation.....Dana Abbott

Mrs. Abbott presented on the SC Science Academy Revocation Recommendation. Ms. Bounds moved to accept the staff recommendation to revoke the charter of SC Science Academy. John Payne seconded the motion. After a 6-1 vote, with Mrs. Purcell opposing and Mr. Callicutt abstaining, the motion carries and the charter of SC Science Academy is revoked.

C) SCPCSD Transfer Policy Development.....Linzie Staley, Dana Abbott

With amendments made to sentence 3 and sentence 7, Mr. Chappell moved to accept the second reading of the SCPCSD Transfer Policy. Mrs. Bull seconded and the motion carried unanimously. An amendment offered by Mrs. Purcell, seconded by Mr. Payne to delete a portion of sentence 7 did not carry by a vote of 3 – 4 with Mrs. Staley, Ms. Bounds, Mr. McLaurin and Mrs. Bull opposing.

D) PiE-SC/Acceleration Academy Charter Amendment.....Dana Abbott

Mrs. Abbott presented on the PiE-SC/Acceleration Academy Charter Amendment. Mr. Chappell moved to approve the amendment; Mr. Payne seconded the motion. Following discussion, Mr. Chappell offered a substitute motion as follows "That the Board schedule a special telephone conference no later than March 16 to further consider Charleston Acceleration Academy amendment". Mr. Payne seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

E) Calhoun Falls Charter School Non-Renewal.....Dana Abbott

Mr. Chappell moved to approve the non-renewal request. Mr. Payne seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

F) Weather Waiver Requests.....Taylor Fulcher

Ms. Bounds moved to approve the weather waiver requests by Brashier Middle College, NEXT Eagle Ride, Youth Leadership Academy, Cape Romain Environmental Education, Greenville Tech, Calhoun Falls, and High Point Academy. Mr. Chappell seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

X. Information Items

A) Core Performance System Update.....Kristen Stolpa, Dana Abbott

Mrs. Abbott presented on the Core Performance System.

XI. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Smalley reported on school safety and EVAAS results.

XII. Adjournment

Ms. Bounds moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Chappell seconded and without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 1:52.