

## MINUTES

### South Carolina Public Charter School District Board Meeting

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

Thursday, April 20, 2017  
9 a.m.

AMENDED MAY 11, 2017

#### I. Call to Order and Introductions

Mr. McLaurin called the meeting to order at 9:03 am.

#### II. Invocation

John Payne led the invocation.

#### III. Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Staley 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: Mr. Don McLaurin, Mrs. Linzie Staley, Ms. Kathleen Bounds, and Mr. Chappell, Mrs. Anne Bull & Mr. John Payne.

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 20, 2017 meeting.

Mr. Payne moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Chappell 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.

Anna Gainey spoke on behalf of Clearview Collegiate.

Michelle Mallory spoke on behalf of iLead Florence.

Sharon Goodridge spoke on behalf of iLead Florence.

Elaina Goodridge spoke on behalf of iLead Florence.

Joanne Cornhole spoke on behalf of Clearview Collegiate.

Wanda Thompson spoke on behalf of iLead Florence.

Denise Trentham spoke on behalf of iLead Florence.

Susan Egan spoke on behalf of iLead Florence.

Charlie French spoke on behalf of iLead Florence.

Janice Green spoke on behalf of iLead Florence.

Sonetta Cooper spoke on behalf of iLead Florence.

Terry Robinson Kelly spoke on behalf of Clearview Collegiate.

Chantelle Engels spoke on behalf of iLead Florence.

Nolan Hasley spoke on behalf of iLead Florence.

Summer Cartee spoke on behalf of iLead Florence.

Dan Bracken spoke on behalf of Clearview Collegiate.

Jennifer Coker spoke on behalf of SC Pathways.

LeRoy Conner spoke on behalf of SC Pathways.

Anne Peterson spoke on behalf of SC Pathways.

Debbie Jordan spoke on behalf of iLead Florence.

Scott Lindsey spoke on behalf of Clearview Collegiate Academy.

Kelly Scott spoke on behalf of iLead Florence.

Amy Brown spoke on behalf of Clearview Collegiate.

#### VIII. Executive Session

No executive session was needed.

#### IX. Action Items

##### A) Pathways-SC Charter Application Hearing

Mrs. Abbott presented the staff recommendation report for the Pathways-SC charter application. The staff recommendation was to deny the application.

The Pathways-SC planning committee made their presentation to the Board. It was followed by a question and answer period.

Mr. Chappell moved and Mr. Payne seconded to conditionally approve the application, the condition being the elimination of the "Sole Member" provision from the By-Laws of Pathways in Education-SC. The motion carried unanimously.

##### B) Clearview Collegiate Academy Charter Application Hearing

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

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

Ms. Bounds moved to deny the Clearview Collegiate charter application. Mrs. Staley seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

##### C) iLEAD Florence Charter Application Hearing

Mrs. Abbott presented the staff recommendation report for the iLead Florence charter application. The staff recommendation was to deny the application.

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

Mr. Payne moved to approve the iLead Florence charter application. Mrs. Bull seconded the motion. After a 2-4 vote, the motion did not carry. With Mr. McLaurin, Ms. Bounds, Mrs. Staley, and Mr. Chappell opposing, the motion failed and the application was denied.

D) Empowerment Academy Charter Application Hearing

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

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

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

E) Youth Power Challenge Academy Charter Application Hearing

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

The Youth Power Challenge Academy charter planning committee made their presentation to the Board. It was followed by a question and answer period.

Ms. Bounds moved to deny the Youth Power Challenge Academy application. Mrs. Staley seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

F) FY 2018 Budget (First Reading) ..... Siddhartha Chowdri

Mr. Chowdri presented on the first reading of the FY 2018 Budget.

Mr. Chappell moved to approve the first reading of the budget. Ms. Bounds seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

X. Adjournment

Without objection, Mr. McLaurin adjourned the meeting at 3:53pm.

Future Meetings:

May 11, 2017	10:00 AM	SCPCSD Board Meeting
June 8, 2017	10:00 AM	SCPCSD Board Meeting