

MEETING MINUTES

Board: Savannah Exploratory Charter Academy
Board Meeting: SECA Governing Board
School(s): SECA

The minutes of Sunshine Law meetings need not be verbatim transcripts of the meeting. These minutes are a brief summary of the events of the meeting.

Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:
10/28/21	5:37pm	6:02pm	11/18/21	5:30pm	Lyn Carden
Meeting Location:					
Virtual					

Attended by:	
Patrick Connell Kevin Jackson Taylor Norman Julie Diebolt Jason Gallegos	Roger Moss Dr. Chris Tuttle Danny Brewington Gregg Stevens Lyn Carden
Highlights:	

CALL TO ORDER 5:37pm

I. Consent Agenda - Ms. Diebolt made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Mr. Jackson
2nd unanimous

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes

II. School Related Reports

- Update on Chief Academic Officer – Mr. Connell notified the board that in the interest of assisting the board with financial strain Dr. Tuttle offered to step back from the full time CAO position and work for the board on an as-needed consulting basis. The board thanked Dr. Tuttle for her support and assistance. Dr. Tuttle assured the board that she would remain and continue to support SECA for its opening, but that she felt the board would be in a better financial position if she wasn't collecting a full time salary.
 - Dr. Tuttle requested that the board reach out to the teachers that are commented to joining the school when it starts with some information as quickly as possible.
- Updates from the Chief Operations Officer – Mr. Moss reported
 - He reported the he and the executive board had a great meeting with the Parker Foundation but did not have a timeline regarding an answer
 - He reported that the Habersham Garden club fund raiser was a big success and provided an update on funds raised
 - He discussed with the board opportunities for other fundraisers and donors

- The board discussed the importance of project based learning.
- Mr. Moss reported that he met with the Hodge Foundation who is still very interested in the project.
- Mr. Connell reported on the meeting the executive board had with the Parker Foundation.
- Mr. Connell provided an update on other strategic partnerships.
- Mr. Connell reviewed potential property opportunities that the board may have a chance to consider in the near future.
- Mr. Connell reported on an SCSC driven initiative to seek funds from a federal grant provided to the state that might offer opportunities for facility financing.
- Mr. Connell reported on a potential supporter. He told the board she may attend the meeting next month.

III. Financial Reports

- Monthly Financial Reports – Mr. Gallegos reported
 - He notified the board that he was scheduled to have a meeting with Cadence Bank who has charter schools in their portfolio
 - Mr. Moss reported on the DOE reimbursement grant
 - The board discussed expenditures and remittances
 - The board discussed outstanding payables
 - Mr. Gallegos provided an update on the line of credit

IV. Committee Updates

- Human Resources – No report
- Facilities – Mr. Connell discussed additional facility opportunities.

V. Old Business

- Gregg Parker Foundation – Discussed earlier.

VI. New Business

- Lotterease – Ms. Carden reported

VII. Public Comment

VIII. Next Meeting Date November 18, 2021 5:30pm

ADJOURNMENT – Ms. Norman made a motion to adjourn, Mr, Gallegos 2nd, unanimous at 6:02pm.

Patrick Connell, Board Chair

Date: _____