

**Southwest Georgia STEM Charter Board of Directors Meeting
December 15, 2022 5:30 P.M. - Media Center at SGSC**

Minutes

Meeting also offered through Teleconference Option due to COVID-19:

Dial-in Number 978-990-5080: Access Code : 6521665

advertised on the School Website as well.

Call to Order - @ 5:32pm by: Tony Lee, Chairman

Recognition of All Members in Attendance/Note Those Not Present - Members Present are Chris Weathersby - Vice-Chair, CFO - Lori Wilson, Federal Programs Director - Kadie Phillips. Board Members - Patricia Goodman and Erwin Thomas called into the meeting. Board Members Grant Ward and Rusell Nuti were not present .

Approval of November Minutes - Motion to approve by Chris Weathersby, 2nd by Patricia Goodman, all Approved

Approval of December Agenda - Motion to approve by Chris Weathersby, 2nd by Erwin Thomas, all Approved

Recite the current SGSC Mission Statement

- SGSC will provide distinguished and integrated instruction in an environment that cultivates respect, is inclusive of all, and lays the foundation for excellence and life-long learning.

Public Comment - No Comments

School Liaison (Ms. Fincher) - no comments

School Leader's Report - Information Items

Recent Successes and Celebrations - Information Item -

Mid Year MAP Assessment administration is showing that most all of the students that have taken the test have shown growth - some low, average and high growth! We are proud of the initial scores. We are off of the Needs Improvement List with the GaDOE, and Christmas Break begins tomorrow!

Athletics Information (Ben Crowdis) - Information Item - No information to report other than the sales at the basketball games are going well and bringing in a good amount of funds for the athletics department.

Upcoming Events - Information Item

Christmas Staff Luncheon is tomorrow @ 1:30 and we would love for the board to attend.

Teachers and staff return to work from Christmas break on January 3 and students return on the 5th.

J and H Janitorial Company Update - We are no longer with J and H. We have moved to a company names LRL Ventures & Management - the #2 company on the bid sheet. They have

also stated that they would be here over the Christmas Break to strip and wax the floors in the main building.

Enrollment Summary - Information Item

478 students at this time. 29% Non-White Students.

Academic - Information Items

Brief overview-of MAPP Assessment Results - Information Item

Most students showed growth in the areas of Math and Reading. Once all students have taken the assessment, a more detailed description of the data will be provided.

Finance - Action Items and Information Items

Approval of November Financial Report - Action Item -The school is 41.66% through the fiscal year. We compared the areas of the general fund to the fiscal year percentage to monitor spending. Revenues total at 41.75%. Expenditure total at 41.06%. The total fund equity for November is \$2,772,918.90. Board members reviewed all of the financials for the General Fund. Maintenance and operation is still elevated because of the facility grant expenditures being used out of the general fund. The fund code for the facility grant is 100. So, this calculation includes state grant spending and will remain in this area. Fund equity has increased over \$60K for the month of November.

Approval of the November School Food Report - Action Item - The school nutrition fund was reviewed. The revenues total to 117.29%. The expenditures total at 60.28%. The fund equity total is \$247,561.34. The fund equity in SFN has decreased due to the purchase of equipment in this month. Also, the cost per meal has increased. We are looking at the product costs to see if this is the reason the meal costs have increased and we will determine what needs to be done to lower the meal cost.

CPF Point Calculation at this time - Information Item- The score remains at “100,” with no drastic changes in any of the score determination areas.

ARP ESSER III Update - Information Item- We are waiting for a formal quote from Datacom regarding the Intercom system. We will need to have this purchase approved by GADOE. At that point, we can submit the budget for approval.

50/50 Raffle - Information Item- The Raffle drawing will be held at 10:00 am on December 16th.

Credit Card Request - Information Item- The CFO is checking into options for a secured credit card.

House Bill 911 Appropriations- Action Item- The Board voted to give employees that fall under HB 911 a 5.4% salary increase given in the form of a bonus in March 2022. The increase will be distributed in their monthly pay beginning FY 2024 when the position’s salary starts a new year.

Governance - Action and Information Items

Expansion of school grounds (update) - Information Item

Mrs. Almon and Mrs. Wilson have spoken with architect to ensure that all information and requirements are in the scaled drawing. We will hear back from him at the beginning of February with the latest information related to costs.

Discuss the school leader's performance related to LKES - Information Item

Performance Standard 7: Professionalism The leader fosters the success of students by demonstrating professional standards and ethics, engaging in continuous professional development, and contributing to the profession. Chairman Lee said that Mrs Almon exhibits professionalism in each aspect of her job daily, The board members are very pleased with her on a daily basis.

Adjourn Meeting - Motion to approve by Chris Weathersby, 2nd by Patricia Goodman, all Approved. Meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m.