

Southwest Georgia STEM Charter CALLED Board of Directors Meeting

July 27th, 2023 3:30 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 - 5:09 pm by Tony Lee, Chairman

Recognition of All Members in Attendance/Note Those Not Present:

Present: Tony Lee, Chris Weathersby, Russell Nuti (By Phone), Erwin Thomas (By Phone), Patricia Goodman (By Phone)

Other: Ginger Almon (School Leader), Lori Wilson (CFO)

Visitors: Gary Cooper, Alan Sanders

Approval of Called July 27th Agenda - Motion to approve by Chris Weathersby, 2nd by Patricia Goodman, all Approved.

Approval to Amend July 27th Agenda - Agenda amended to include Buses taken home by bus drivers after they complete their route, human resources policy amendment, and approval of new hires and resignation. Motion to approve by Chris Weathersby, 2nd by Patricia Goodman, 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 - Pastor Alan Sanders and Mr. Gary Cooper (church member) from Calvary Baptist Church came to the meeting to discuss plans for the school to use the church as a bus stop for the 2023-2024 school year. They discussed an agreement with the members of the board and informed them that their Church Board would be making a decision during their upcoming Sunday evening meeting. They will inform SGSC's Board Members of the vote made by Calvary Baptist Church.

Governance - Action Item

- **Calvary Baptist Church Approval - Action Item-** The Board agrees to Calvary Baptist Church's agreement for using the parking lot as a bus pick up/drop off location. Action Item- Motion to approve by Patricia Goodman, 2nd by Chris Weathersby, all Approved.
- **Bus Parking After Route- Action Item-** The Board approved for bus drivers to park the buses at their home overnight if they live locally. (Randolph County) Motion to approve by Chris Weathersby, 2nd by Russell Nuti.
- **Policy Approval- Action Item-** Mrs. Almon discussed the amendments to the Water Safety Information and the Attendance Policy for Students. Mrs. Wilson discussed the amendments to the Human Resources Policies. Motion to approve by Chris Weathersby, 2nd by Patricia Goodman.
- **Tree Removal- Action Item-** There are 3 trees located on the side of the yellow building. The decision to remove the trees has been tabled at this time. A quote will be obtained. The tree removal will be revisited at a later date. Motion to approve by Chris Weathersby, 2nd by Patricia Goodman.
- **New Hires/Resignations- Action Item-** The board approved the resignation of Ben Crowdis as Athletic Director. Mr. Crowdis will continue his teaching position at SGSC. The board approved the resignation of Mrs. Helen Poke and Mrs. Veronica Hope. The board approved hiring Mrs. Pattie Holmes as a Special Education Paraprofessional. Motion to approve by Chris Weathersby, 2nd by Patricia Goodman.

Adjourn Meeting - Motion to approve by Chris Weathersby, 2nd by Patricia Goodman, all Approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.