

Southwest Georgia STEM Charter School
Governance Committee Meeting
November 10, 2021
12:30 pm - SCSC Board Training at Callaway Gardens

Call to Order - 12:33 pm

Approval of October Minutes - Action Item - Patricia Goodman - Motion; Lisa Jones - 2nd

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Public Comment - none

Facilities for 21-22

- Discuss the latest design from the architect
 - We are adding specific pieces to the plans that will increase the costs. We are awaiting the information from SRJ Architects to see how much more the additional classrooms, closets, reception area, etc will cost.
- Discuss purchasing a new mobile unit for the upcoming school year and where to put the unit
 - Lori Wilson, CFO, is currently working on pricing different mobile units to place on the school grounds next to the current units. There is a shortage of units available at the moment due to many places purchasing them for COVID testing sites, etc. We will continue to price in hopes to purchase a unit in January and have it hooked up to plumbing and electrical by the end of the school year.
- Discuss painting the lunchroom and replacing the windows
 - We will work on getting some estimated costs to get the building completely renovated to see if the costs will be worth keeping the building or deciding if we need to demolish the building. It will come down to need and cost.
- Discuss the re-keying of the entire school
 - The entire school has been re-keyed and payment has been rendered. We are pleased with the service and things have been much better and functional with having a true master key for the school.

Partnership with Georgia Power

Mr. Don Porter and Adam (engineer) came to the school Monday and Coach Crowdis took them all around the athletic facilities. Mr. Porter said to prioritize and do the main things first. Georgia Power and Rotary Club will partner with us to volunteer to do the work. We will replace the bleachers first. A list of the materials to replace the nuts and bolts, as well as the wood on the bleachers was sent to Mr. Porter and Adam. Mrs. Patricia Goodman contacted Short and Paulk to ask them to supply some or all of the needed materials. We are waiting to hear back from them. It is believed that Georgia Power will pay for the majority of what we cannot get donated. This is a Foundation Grant for volunteers but we will write a grant for a scoreboard for that area as well through Georgia Power.

GSAPS Review from GaDOE

GaDOE Staff visited the school to conduct interviews, observations, and analysis. The report that we received provided feedback related to strengths and weaknesses. We were primarily emerging plus and operational in areas. They were pleased with the progress that has been made at the school. Our SGSC Leadership Team will analyze the results and decide which areas we need to focus on based on the report and teacher/leader input.

SCSC Renewal Process

Mrs. Almon will begin the renewal application and bring the Board in to approve Vision and Mission Statements that will be developed by the SGSC Leadership Team with feedback from the staff. The Board will also have input related to the Innovative Features portion of the renewal process. We will also begin preparing for the Interview by the SCSC Board that follows submitting the application for renewal.

Adjourn 12:53 pm - Chris Weathersby - Motion; Lisa Jones - 2nd