## Southwest Georgia STEM Charter Board of Directors Board Meeting Minutes September 19, 2024, 5:30 P.M. - Media Center at SGSC

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 Order - 5:33 pm called to order by Chairman Tony Lee.

**Recognition of All Members in Attendance/Note Those Not Present -** Chairman Tony Lee, Chris Weathersby, Erwin Thomas, Sherri Cartwright and Patricia Goodman Lori Wilson - CFO. School Leader Ginger Almon was not present, she was at another school function.

**Approval of August Minutes -** Motion to approve by Patricia Goodman, 2nd by Sherri Cartwright - all in favor

**Approval of September Agenda -** Motion to approve by Patricia Goodman, 2nd by Chris Weathersby - all in favor

## **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 - none** 

School Liaison (Ms. Fincher) - none

School Leader's Report - Information Items

- **Upcoming Events** Information Item We have a lot going on in the month of September and into October. There are several football and softball games, Homecoming will be next week! We are still having our Monitoring Mondays, The Book Fair and Title I meeting will be at the end of the month and the Seniors have a few things planned along with lots of field trips for fall.
- Enrollment Summary Information Item 521 students with a 31.48% non-white
- **PBIS Updates** Information Item Our first celebration is planned for September 27th. All the students that have met the goal for the month will be able to attend the scheduled activities for their class groups.
- School Safety Information Item Chief Williams is off at training this week and will have a few
  more trainings to attend. He also has presented a School safety agenda. It states what we have,
  what we do, and what he thinks that we need. Governor Kemp sent out a message that they are
  addressing school safety and hopefully we will be hearing something more concrete soon.

Academic - Information Items -

• Math Scores for EOG and EOC Assessments - Information Item - Comparison data was presented for the past 4 years to represent all the areas that we have grown in.

Finance - Action Items and Information Items

- Approval of August Financial Report Action Item Motion to approve by Patricia Goodman, 2nd by Sherri Cartwright all in favor. The General fund reports ending in August 2024 were reviewed. The school is 16.66% through the fiscal year. We compared the areas of the general fund to the fiscal year percentage to monitor spending. Revenues total at 16.82%. Expenditures total at 26.08%. The total fund equity for August 2024 is \$3,105,799.82. Board members reviewed all of the financials for the General Fund. Fund equity has decreased in the month of August. The decrease is due to the building acquisition expenditures in August.
  - Cash Flow The general fund monthly cash flow variance for August 2024 is \$99,500.23 less the building acquisition project.
- Approval of the August School Food Report Action Item Motion to approve by Chris Weathersby, 2nd by Patricia Goodman all in favor. The school nutrition fund for August 2024 was reviewed. The revenues total 12.09%. The expenditures total at 12.82%. Fund equity is \$499,774.12 for the month of August.
- CPF Point Calculation at this time Information Item- Based on the SCSC monitoring results, the CPF score is 85 due to enrollment variance. SGSC is deducted 15 points. We are seeing changes due to the building acquisition project that was expected. All calculations continue to fall into an acceptable range.
- **Emergency Roof & Door Repairs** Action Item Motion to approve by Patricia Goodman, 2nd by Sherri Cartwright all in favor. The Board voted to approve the proposal by LRA Constructors, Inc. for emergency repairs to the roof and exterior doors on campus.
- Third Party Inspection Action Item Motion to reject the third party inspection by Patricia Goodman, 2nd by Sherri Cartwright all in favor. The Board voted to decline the proposal from MAS Consulting, LLC for an inspection to be performed on the modular complex at completion.

## Governance - Information Items

- Expansion of school grounds (update) Information Item -We are seeing lots of progress (sprinkler system, IT, and electricity are all working hand in hand) and things still are on track for 10/16-23.
- **Upcoming Monitoring** Information Item We have the schedule of the dates of the monitoring. We are working on gathering all the requested information.
- Charter Renewal Information Item -10/8/2024 @ 1pm is when they will arrive for an onsite visit.
- **Health and Safety Visit** Information Item 10/16/2024 we are working on getting all the areas ready for this visit. We are making improvements to areas that need to be addressed.
- **Sign the Conflicts of Interest** Information Item all board members signed the Conflict of Interests for the 2024 school year.
- Discuss the school leader's performance related to LKES Information Item <u>SCHOOL</u>
   <u>CLIMATE The leader promotes the success of all students by developing, advocating, and sustaining an academically rigorous, positive, and safe school climate for all stakeholders.

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  - Chairman Tony Lee confirms that the board as a whole knows that School Leader Almon goes above and beyond for the students at SGSC. There is not a day that goes by without School Leader Almon recognizing and rewarding all of the excellent things happening at the school with the staff and the students.

Adjourn Meeting - Motion to approve by Chris Weathersby, 2nd by Ervin Thomas - all in favor