

**Southwest Georgia STEM Charter School
Governance Committee Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2022
5:30 pm - SGSC Media Center**

Call to Order - Chris Weathersby @ 5:33 pm

Approval of December Minutes - Action Item - Motion: Tony Lee Second: Russell Nuti Vote: All Yes

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Members Present - Chris Weathersby, Tony Lee, Russell Nuti, Ginger Almon - Not present: Patricia Goodman, Lisa Jones, Grant Ward

Public Comment - None

Upcoming Interview for Renewal on January 26, 2022 at 1:00 pm in Atlanta

- Discuss the potential questions to be asked - All Board members were provided a notebook with all information that has been submitted to the SCSC Staff to be presented to the SCSC Board. We do not think that there will be many questions related to renewal; instead, we feel that the questions will be geared toward the Grade Band Expansion to include 11th and 12th grade over the next two years. Preliminary work has been completed to prepare for the additional facilities and courses. This will be the focus of much of the questioning.
- Discuss speaker roles and representatives for the categories: academics, finance, and governance -
Academics: Ginger Almon, Candace McBride and Patricia Goodman Finance: Lori Wilson,
Chris Weathersby and Lisa Jones Governance: Ginger Almon, Tony Lee, and Grant Ward

COVID Protocols

Discuss returning to school on January 18th - Ginger Almon will send out a survey to staff that requests their feedback related to not requiring the close contacts (students) to have to be quarantined at home, but instead completing the quarantine in school with a mask for 10 days. We will share the results at the Board meeting to see if staff would prefer this method or continue with current CDC guidelines.

School Attorney

Discuss the agreement with the current school attorney - Hayden Hooks is our current school attorney. She has relocated to a new firm, Drew Eckl, and would like to continue to serve us. Ginger Almon feels comfortable with Mrs. Hooks and would ask the Board to continue to use her services at the new firm. The Board members agreed. We will sign a new agreement with Hayden once she transitions.

Adjourn - 6:05 pm - Chris Weathersby - all in agreement