

STATE CHARTER SCHOOLS COMMISSION MEETING

November 14, 2018, 10:00 a.m.

SCSC Meeting Room

State Board Room, 20th Floor, GA 30334

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tom Lewis at approximately 10:09am.
2. Commissioners Tony Lowden, Carmen Dill, Paul Williams, Jose Perez, and staff members, Bonnie Holliday — Executive Director, Gregg Stevens—Deputy Director and General Counsel, Morgan Felts—Associate General Counsel and Petitions Manager, Kristen Easterbrook—Business Manager, Katie Manthey—Academic Accountability Manager, and Rennie Laryea-Organizational Development Manager were present.
3. Approximately 22 members of the public were also present, including charter school staff and representatives, families of students attending state charter schools, charter school business representatives, and Georgia Charter Schools Association representatives.
4. Chairman Lewis called for an approval of the meeting minutes from the September 26, 2018 meeting. Commissioner Lowden made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Perez provided a second. The minutes were unanimously approved.
5. Katie Manthey, Academic Accountability Manager, reviewed which schools met standards in either CCRPI content mastery or growth. Ms. Manthey also explained how schools are weighted when they serve multiple districts.
6. Gregg Stevens, Deputy Director and General Counsel, presented operational data on the behalf of Sarah Beck. Mr. Stevens reported that monitoring visits will be completed this week and mentioned the deadlines and dates for letters. Schools that received visit before October 10 will receive letters on December 7 and schools after October 10 will receive monitoring letter on December 21.
7. Gregg Stevens, Deputy Director and General Counsel, presented Financial Accountability information on behalf of Terence Washington. Twenty-five schools have submitted for the November 1st deadline, but 4 schools did not due to natural disasters or other delays. Schools that miss the deadline will lose 6 points on the operational section of the SCSC CPF.
8. Rennie Laryea, Organizational Development Manager, reported the dates for the 2 upcoming trainings: (1) Governance Trainings-November 27th-28th at Lanier Islands Legacy Lodge, and (2) February 5-6, 2019 at UGA Center for Continuing Education & Hotel.
9. Commissioner Tom Lewis moved to action items and called on Gregg Stevens. Mr. Stevens explained the proposed changes to Amendments 1 through 8.
10. Commissioner Lowden motioned to approve, and Commissioner Perez provided a second for amendment 1 at 10:29. The change was unanimously approved.
11. At 10:30 Commissioner Perez provided a motion to approve changed to amendment 2, and Commissioner Lowden provided a second. The change was unanimously approved.
12. At 10:31, Commissioner Lowden provided a motion to approve the change to amendment 4 and Commissioner Perez provided the second. The change was unanimously approved.
13. At 10:32, Commissioner Perez provided a motion to approve the change to amendment 5 and Commissioner Keith provided the second. The change was unanimously approved.
14. At 10:33, Commissioner Lowden motioned to approve the change to amendment and Commissioner Dill provided a second. The change was unanimously approved.

15. At 10:34, Commissioner Dill motioned to approve the change to amendment 7 and Commissioner Lowden provided a second. The change was unanimously approved.
16. At 10:35, Commissioner Williams motioned to approve the changes to amendment 8 and Commissioner Perez provided the second. The change was unanimously approved.
17. Chairman Lewis moved on to the next action item. Gregg Stevens explained the recommendation to change the current policy surrounding schools and vendor contracts. Commissioner Lowden motioned to approve the change and Commissioner Perez provided a the second. The change was unanimously approved, and the motion passed at 10:42am.
18. Public comment started at 10:45am. A student from Georgia Cyber Academy advocated for the school by expressing his experience and concerns. A parent from Georgia Cyber Academy spoke about the quality of service for special education students at the charter school.
19. Chairman Lewis Tom Lewis informed every one of the next meeting, January 30th.
20. Chairman Lewis adjourned meeting at 11:00am