

STATE CHARTER SCHOOLS COMMISSION INTERVIEW PANEL MEETING

July 20, 2016, 8:20 a.m.

**State Charter Schools Commission Conference Room
East Twin Tower, Room 1470B, Atlanta, Georgia 30334**

Meeting Minutes

1. The meeting convened at approximately 8:30 am. The interview panel, consisting of Commissioner Lewis; Executive Director Bonnie Holliday; Commission staff Gregg Stevens, Morgan Felts, Terence Washington and Johanna Hanley; Jackie Scott-English; Ed Chang; Chantel Mullen; and Tracy Arner was present. Representatives of the Georgia Charter Schools Association and members of the public were also present.
2. The interview panel met with representatives of Resurgence Hall. The proposed charter school gave an overview of its educational model and then interview panel questioned the proposed school's governing board to determine its capacity to implement its proposed educational program, its accountability plan for early grades, and its partnership with community organizations. The interview concluded at approximately 9:35 am. Interview panelist Johanna Hanley left the meeting.
3. At approximately 10:35 am Katie Manthey joined the interview panel. The interview panel then met with the governing board of Challenge Preparatory Academy. The governing board of the proposed state charter school Challenge Preparatory Academy provided a brief overview of its school plan. The interview panel then questioned the proposed school's governing board to determine its capacity to operate as an LEA, the selection of its facility, and various other aspects of the school's educational model. The interview concluded at approximately 11:45 am. Interview panelists Commissioner Lewis, Chantel Mullen, Ed Chang, and Tracy Arner left the meeting.
4. At approximately 1:25 pm, Commissioner Perez, Sam Rauschenberg, Sarah Beck, and Representative Mike Glanton joined the interview panel. The interview panel then met with the governing board of Genesis Academy for Boys and Genesis Academy for Girls. The governing board of the proposed state charter schools provided a brief overview of the schools' models. The interview panel then questioned the proposed schools' need for single-gender education, the governing board's capacity to operate as an LEA, and methods to hold the school leader accountable. The interview concluded at approximately 3:20 pm.
5. The interview panel adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:20 pm.