

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Learn4Life-South Carolina A South Carolina Not-for-Profit Corporation

Date: April 21, 2022

Location: Virtual Meeting via Zoom

[Zoom Meeting Link](#)

Time: 4:00pm ET

1. A Call to Order and Attendance –

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm. Attendance included:

Board Members:

Dan Luginbill-President

Richard Thaler-Treasurer

Todd Senf

Peg Harris-Secretary

Non-Board Members:

Cheri Shannon-LLAC

Anne Peterson-Consultant

Joe Sevana-CTE Director

Annie Gibson-Education Team / Curriculum

Pat Hill-LLAC

Heaven Ruiz-LLAC

Valerie Chase-LLAC

Adam Miller -LLAC

Avery Giannoulis - LLAC

Mike Van Kirk-LLAC

2. Public Comment

3. Approval of Minutes from February 25, 2022 and
March 16, 2022 4. Finance Report

The minutes were approved at 4:06 pm EST.

Jenara's Finance Report: Members were asked to submit finance questions directly to Veris or to Ms. Shannon.

5. Approval Items

- a. 2022-23 Academic Calendar – Now mirrors the CCSD calendar. Dan accepted a motion to approve. Rich Thaler seconded. Approved at 4:10 pm EST.

6. Discussion Items/Reports:

School Report- Currently have 87 students enrolled. We've added 15 students since April 1st. We are still hoping to reach 100 by the last day of school. More freshman than any other age. 27 Freshman and 5 Seniors. One student completed requirements for graduation. We are anticipating three more graduates in May. Graduation is May 26, 2022.

School will received funding during the final year of the CSP grant. The budget is being revised and will be provided to Veris. The school is also receiving grant funding from ESSER II and ESSER III. Budget revisions are being submitted to reflect the changes in expenditures. An educational assistant will be funded through ESSER II and a revision was made to add funding for a math teacher which is needed to help make up learning loss that occurred as a result of COVID.

Curriculum: At this point, we have three CTE sections: Manufacturing, robotics and culinary. We are still looking for a CTE teacher. We developed a course called basic culinary skills. Annie Gibson discussed new curriculum and the use of Google classroom.

Staffing: We have two new staff. Demetria McFlair. She is an educational assistant. We are using ESSER funds to pay her salary. We also have Nicole Joy to be our front desk / receptionist. We also are anticipating keeping our current staff in the four key areas. We will also be hiring for a new special ed person because of certification. Our area has already provided employment agreements to teachers so we are doing everything we can do retain our current staff. We are also looking for a new math teacher. LLAC has been recruiting to replace the math teacher for two weeks. We are also looking for a new principal.

Building needs: We need a sink installed for culinary need.

Compliance: I am working closely with the authorizer and the SC Education Consultant to make sure we are in compliance. We are also working closely to make sure we are in close and accurate reporting timelines to the authorizers regarding attendance documents. There were special ed issues that we are cleaning up with the consultant.

b. Planning for 2022-23

i. Employee Handbook – The new handbook including the discipline policy will need to be reviewed and revised soon. Boards typically approve before the end of June. Expect to see those ‘coming your way’.

ii. Family Handbook – See above

iii. Budget – See above

iv. Staffing – See above

c. Legislative Update -The Senate will go into budget deliberations next week. The House has completely revised the funding formula in our state. We are now built into the formula so we will have more predictable and better funding.

7. Open discussion – We need to have our next election. In May, we can have the procedure in place for approval. Also the Alliance can run the election. The alliance allows a neutral third party to run the election. We will look at the cost etc. I think we have to have the election no later than July and the sooner the better. We will need to add a parent to the Board. I have one more item that needs to be added the to agenda. We need to approve some electives to be added to the course catalog.

On-line electives. We were looking to switching over to the vendor Engenuity to include but are not limited to:

- Expository reading and writing
- Classic novels
- Financial math elective
- Study skills course:
- Intro to art
- Online learning
- Personal Finance course

These online electives were approved at 4:51 pm EST.

8. Next Board Meeting – May 19, 2022 @ 4 pm ET

9. Adjournment - The meeting was moved, seconded and adjourned at 4:52 pm EST.