APPROVED

State Charter Schools Commission of Georgia

Minutes

April Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday April 30, 2025 at 10:00 AM

Location
SCSC Board Room
1356B Twin Towers East,
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE
Atlanta, GA 30334

Virtual Access Information
Meeting Link
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Directors Present
B. Brockway, B. Scafidi (remote), M. Dudgeon, S. Sweeney, T. Lowden

Directors Absent
C. Good, L. Millan

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

M. Dudgeon called a meeting of the board of directors of State Charter Schools Commission of Georgia to order on Wednesday Apr 30, 2025 at 10:03 AM.

C. Approve February Minutes

M. Dudgeon made a motion to approve the minutes from February Board Meeting on 02-26-25.
B. Scafidi seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
M. Dudgeon made a motion to approve the minutes from State Charter School Commission of Georgia on 03-26-25.
B. Scafidi seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. School Spotlight

A. Yi Hwang Academy of Language Excellence

The Board Chair, students, and other stakeholders of Yi Hwang Academy of Language Excellence presented on the success of the school's dual language immersion program.

SCSC Commissioners commended the school and its students' achievements.

III. Division Reports

A. Executive Director - Legislative Session Report

The SCSC Executive Director provided an update on education bills passed this legislative session. SCSC Commissioners and staff discussed the purpose and implementation of Senate Bill 82.

B. New Schools Division

The SCSC Director of New Schools provided an update on pre-opening schools and petition charter applications.

SCSC Commissioners asked questions regarding enrollment and deferrals of pre-opening schools.

C. Finance Division

The SCSC Sr. Director of Finance provided an update on SCSC school annual audits and the approval auditor program.

SCSC Commissioners asked questions regarding audits.

IV. Accountability

A. State Charter School Accountability Report

SCSC staff from the Research and Evaluation (Academic Accountability), Finance, and Legal Divisions presented FY24 CPF results and proposed changes to the FY25 CPF Finance and Operations section.

SCSC Commissioners asked questions and made comments regarding schools' performance.

B. State Charter School Report - Zest Preparatory Academy

SCSC Commissioners and Zest Preparatory Academy representatives discussed the school's financial performance, viability, and outlook.

Chairman Dudgeon stated that schools cannot outsource financial or academic oversight.

V. Action Items

A. FY25 SCSC Budget Amendment

T. Lowden made a motion to approve the SCSC staff recommend that the SCSC adopt the Amended FY2025 budget to accept $265,501 to support the operations of the Office of Charter School Compliance, which was transferred to the SCSC pursuant to Georgia House Bill 318 (2023-2024 Legislative Session).
B. Brockway seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

L. Millan	Absent
T. Lowden	Aye
S. Sweeney	Aye
M. Dudgeon	Aye
B. Brockway	Aye
C. Good	Absent
B. Scafidi	Absent

VI. Closing Items

A.

Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 12:43 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
B. Scafidi