



State Charter Schools Commission of Georgia

Minutes

SCSC Board Meeting

Winter Policy Retreat

Date and Time

Friday January 23, 2026 at 9:00 AM

Location

Technical College System of Georgia
1800 Century Place NE, Suite 400
Atlanta, GA 30345

1356 Twin Towers East,
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Directors Present

B. Brockway, B. Scafidi (remote), C. Good, L. Millan (remote), M. Dudgeon, S. Sweeney, T. Lowden (remote)

Directors Absent

None

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 Friday Jan 23, 2026 at 9:12 AM.

II. Review Renewal Criteria

A. Renewal Criteria

The Director of Research and Evaluation provided an overview of the SCSC renewal criteria.

B. Review Renewal Values, Process, and Timeline

The Director of Research & Evaluation provided an overview of the SCSC renewal values.

III. School Performance & Recommendations

A. Atlanta SMART Academy

The Director of Research & Evaluation presented information on the charter school's performance and discussed staff's preliminary recommendations.

B. Liberty Tech Charter School

The Director of Research & Evaluation presented information on the charter school's performance and discussed staff's preliminary recommendations.

C. Northwest Classical Academy

The Director of Research & Evaluation presented information on the charter school's performance and discussed staff's preliminary recommendations.

D. SLAM Academy of Atlanta

The Director of Research & Evaluation presented information on the charter school's performance and discussed staff's preliminary recommendations.

IV. School Updates

A. Staff Report

The Executive Director, Director of New Schools, and Director of Research & Accountability responded to commissioner questions about the operating status of various state charter schools and discussed next steps.

V. Review - Approved Petition Rubric

A. Staff Report

The Director of New Schools and the Senior Director of the Office of Charter School Compliance (OCSC) reviewed the statewide petition rubric with the commissioners and addressed their questions.

VI. Budget Tracking Update

A. Staff Report

The Deputy Executive Director and Senior Director of Finance presented the SCSC internal budget-tracking spreadsheet and answered questions.

VII. 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 1:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

M. Dudgeon