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# Global Academy of South Carolina

## Minutes

### K-8 GASC Board of Directors Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Friday August 18, 2023 at 12:00 PM

#### **Location**

9768 Warren H Abernathy Hwy, Spartanburg, SC 29301

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#### **Directors Present**

L. Kovalevich (remote), L. Leahey (remote), M. Aulick (remote), R. Lyubar (remote), V. Sulakov (remote)

#### **Directors Absent**

V. Georgiyev, V. Yefremov

#### **Guests Present**

Alkan Cevik (remote), I. Soroka (remote), L. Zhuk (remote), Liliya Soroka (remote), N. Panasiuk (remote), Sergey Soroka (remote), Y. Degtyareva (remote)

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Record Attendance**

#### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

L. Kovalevich called a meeting of the board of directors of Global Academy of South Carolina to order on Friday Aug 18, 2023 at 12:02 PM.

## II. Consent Agenda

### A. Approve Minutes 7/27/23

L. Kovalevich made a motion to approve the minutes from K-8 GASC Board of Directors Meeting on 07-27-23.

L. Leahey seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

## III. Public Comments

### A. Public Comments

No public comments.

## IV. Discussion Items

### A. 2023-24 GASC Employee Handbook

M. Aulick made a motion to approve the board reviewed GASC Employee Handbook.

R. Lyubar seconded the motion.

GASC First Employee Handbook has been reviewed by Principal Nataliya Panasiuk and legal counsel. The handbook includes the standard policies as well as all required SC statutes.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

### B. Reimbursement and Assignment Agreement with PFDI

V. Sulakov made a motion to approve the reimbursement and assignment agreement as presented with PFDI.

L. Leahey seconded the motion.

Ilya Soroka recommends that the Reimbursement and Assignment Agreement with PFDI is approved by the board. PFDI has been developing and working with the SP and GASC to purchase Upward Star Center. All rights, contracts, and reimbursement of expenses.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

### C. General Contractor responses

V. Sulakov made a motion to proceed with Harper based on the RFP response to a contract for Phase 2 improvements.

M. Aulick seconded the motion.

Ilya Soroka, with the Service Provider, reports that the school's RFP for Phase 2 construction had two responses. Bear Creek the Bond Holder for GASC 2023 Bonds recommend GASC move forward with Harper.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **D. Conflict of Interest Policy**

L. Leahey made a motion to approve the Conflict of Interest Policy.

M. Aulick seconded the motion.

Ilya Soroka recommends that the conflict of Interest Policy is approved for any matters in which a possible conflict of interest may exist for a Board member or employee shall be handled in accordance with the South Carolina State Ethics Commission Rules of Conduct, which are set forth by statute at S.C. Code Ann. §8-13-700 et seq.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **E. Investments Policy**

L. Leahey made a motion to approve the Investment Policy.

V. Sulakov seconded the motion.

Ilya Soroka recommends that the Investments Policy is approved in the purpose to identify permissible investments.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **F. Board Code of Conduct**

L. Leahey made a motion to approve the Board Code of Conduct.

M. Aulick seconded the motion.

This policy establishes expectations of ethical conduct by GASC Board members.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **G. Board Election Calendar**

V. Sulakov made a motion to approve the Board Election Calendar.

L. Leahey seconded the motion.

Ilya Soroka recommends that the Board Election Calendar is reviewed and approved for the Year 1 election.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **H. Special Education Policy**

M. Aulick made a motion to approve the Special Education Policy.

L. Leahey seconded the motion.

Ilya Soroka and Mrs Nataliya Panasiuk recommend that the Special Education Policy is reviewed and approved by the board's commitment to the principles articulated in federal and state law regarding the provision of a free and appropriate public education (FAPE) to all students with disabilities, the protection of the rights of all students with disabilities, and the principle that every student can learn and succeed. These laws include, but are not limited to, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**I. Non-Discrimination Statement**

V. Sulakov made a motion to approve non-discrimination statement.

M. Aulick seconded the motion.

Ilya Soroka recommends that the statute of non-discrimination statement is approved.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**J. Title IX Policy**

L. Leahey made a motion to approve the Title IX Policy Policy and publish it on the website.

M. Aulick seconded the motion.

Ilya Soroka recommends that the Title IX Policy is approved by the board. This legal-approved policy is required to be published to the GASC website and outlines our commitment to non-discrimination and the preventing sexual harassment of students and employees.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**K. Amended Outreach Education Loan Agreement**

V. Sulakov made a motion to approve the amended Loan Agreement to \$1,200,000 to pay for Phase 1 construction.

L. Leahey seconded the motion.

Ilya Soroka requests that the Amended Loan Agreement is approved for \$1,200,000 to fund the Phase 1 construction.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**V. Closing Items**

**A. Board Comments**

**B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 12:38 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
L. Kovalevich