



## Liberty STEAM Charter

## Minutes

## LSC FOUNDING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE

NOTIFICATION OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

**Date and Time** Thursday November 18, 2021 at 3:00 PM

Location LSC Administrative Offices 117 North Main Street Sumter, SC 29150

#### Google Map of Meeting Location

# This meeting is held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act. A copy of the agenda has been made available to the local media & general public.

Mission: Liberty STEAM Charter (LSC) works to provide all students equal access to a worldclass K-12 education in an academically rigorous & student-centered learning environment, creating graduates to be thoughtful & engaged citizens prepared to take on the leadership challenges of the 21st century.

Vision: In partnership with our families & the community, Liberty STEAM Charter (LSC) will provide interdisciplinary, real-world, personalized, and project-based learning experiences through a STEAM-based academic program where graduates become the next generation of leaders, employers, and employees who contribute to the economic well-being of their communities and families.

#### **Committee Members Present**

Cameron Chandler, Khalil Graham, Rodney Thompson (remote), Trevor Ivey

## Committee Members Absent

None

#### **Guests Present**

**Tyler Hamilton** 

#### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

Dr. Thompson provided Mrs. Chandler his proxy vote.

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

Trevor Ivey called a meeting of the Academic Excellence Committee of Liberty STEAM Charter to order on Thursday Nov 18, 2021 at 3:00 PM.

#### C. Invocation

Mrs. Chandler provided an invocation.

#### D. Reading of the Mission Statement

Dr. Ivey read aloud the mission statement.

#### E. Reading of the Vision Statement

Dr. Graham read aloud the vision statement.

#### F. Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Ivey led the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### G. Approve Today's Meeting Agenda

Cameron Chandler made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Rodney Thompson seconded the motion. Dr. Thompson provided Mrs. Chandler his proxy vote. The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### H. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Cameron Chandler made a motion to approve the minutes from LSC FOUNDING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE on 10-21-21.

Rodney Thompson seconded the motion. Dr. Thompson provided Mrs. Chandler his proxy vote. The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### II. Academic Excellence

#### A. Review of Old Business

No old business was discussed.

#### B. Review of New Business

- Summary of Key Points
  - Looking at the top 10 Elementary schools in the state and, on average, 10% of kids receive free and reduced lunch
  - $\circ$  In all of SC, students are below 25% in passing English Language Arts and Math
  - No charter school in the state is good when looking at the data
  - $^{\circ}$  Our academic data is showing that we are doing the right thing and we are ahead of other schools so far
  - Liberty STEAM is the 6th charter school in the country that made GPTW
  - Optimistic about our data and where we are going
  - ${}^{\circ}$  Share the we are a GPTW at the upcoming Board meeting
  - Utilizing Whetstone Education so the teachers can learn more about their teaching methods
  - Teachers will do "Get Norming" via KG to understand the things we are supposed to be doing
  - Pushing teachers with planning and delivery. Coaching teachers throughout the process
  - $\circ$  Development Committee to go out and close the educational gap
  - Focus on building people systems which will lead to results and encourage people to stay
  - Board Retreat in January to really narrow down next steps

#### III. Other Business

#### A. Agenda Items from Committee Members

No agenda items were brought forth for discussion at this time.

#### **IV. Executive Session**

A. Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters, and Receipt of Legal Advice Including Related to a Pending, Threatening, or Potential Claim Cameron Chandler made a motion to enter into executive session for purposes of discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters, and Receipt of Legal Advice Including Related to a Pending, Threatening, or Potential Claim at 3:45 pm. Rodney Thompson seconded the motion. Dr. Thompson provided Mrs. Chandler his proxy vote. The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### V. Action Related to Executive Session

#### A. Action from Executive Session

Cameron Chandler made a motion to return from executive session at 3:55: pm. Rodney Thompson seconded the motion. Dr. Thompson provided Mrs. Chandler his proxy vote. The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **VI. Closing Items**

#### A. Next Steps

- Final Action Items
  - Cammy Chandler will attend Invitational Tour 11/30
  - Cammy Chandler will get the contact information for the person at Wells Fargo
  - KG will follow up about our Giving Tree from 11/16 Invitation Tour attendees to donate

#### B. Good of the Order

No committee member commented during this portion of the agenda.

#### C. Adjourn Meeting

Cameron Chandler made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Rodney Thompson seconded the motion.

Dr. Thompson provided Mrs. Chandler his proxy vote.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 3:53 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Trevor Ivey