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## Liberty STEAM Charter

### Minutes

#### LSC FOUNDING BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE

##### NOTIFICATION OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

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**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](#)

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***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 world-class 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

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## **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**
- **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**
- **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**
- **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**
- **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