



# Liberty STEAM Charter

# Minutes

# LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS FINANCE COMMITTEE

NOTIFICATION OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING

# Date and Time

Tuesday August 20, 2024 at 9:30 AM

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

# 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**

Heather Bass, Kimberly Rauschenbach, Rodney Thompson

#### **Committee Members Absent**

None

#### **Guests Present**

Gifford Shaw, Harmony Gadson, Tiffany Rhodes (remote), Trevor Ivey

#### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

Rodney Thompson called a meeting of the Finance Committee of Liberty STEAM Charter to order on Tuesday Aug 20, 2024 at 9:30 AM.

## C. Invocation

Ms. Rauschenbach provided an invocation.

#### D. Pledge of Allegiance

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

#### E. Reading of the Mission Statement

Dr. Thompson read aloud the LSC Mission Statement.

#### F. Reading of the Vision Statement

Ms. Rauschenbach read aloud the LSC Vision Statement.

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

Rodney Thompson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented by staff. Kimberly Rauschenbach seconded the motion. The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### H. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Rodney Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes from LSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS FINANCE COMMITTEE on 06-19-24. Heather Bass seconded the motion. The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **II. Finance Committee**

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#### **Old Business**

The board members reviewed past action steps and old business to be sure that all steps were completed from the last meeting.

#### **B. New Business**

- Robust discussion on p-card purchases & reconciliation process. The committee encouraged school leaders to tighten up on p-card purchases and to utilize more of the purchase order process.
- Reach out to David Smith of Martin CPA to find out the status of this year's audit. -Robust discussion with the proposed 10 year growth plan

#### **III. Other Business**

#### A. Agenda Items from Committee Members

- A brief update regarding The STEAM Workforce Development Day was provided by Ms. Bass.
- The board members discussed the current terms of the construction loan with Synovus.

## **IV. Executive Session**

## A. Discussion of Contractual and Personnel Matters

Kimberly Rauschenbach made a motion to Enter into Executive Session. Rodney Thompson seconded the motion. The committee **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### V. Action Related to Executive Session

#### A. Action Related to Executive Session

Kimberly Rauschenbach made a motion to Return from Executive Session. Heather Bass seconded the motion.

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

Heather Bass made a motion to that we as a committee recommend to the full board to authorize the Vice Chair to execute the resolution to be submitted to Synovus to refinance the School's loan from a non-revolving loan to a revolving loan. Kimberly Rauschenbach seconded the motion.

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

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

#### A. Next Steps

- HG will reach out to David Smith of Martin CPA to find out the status of this year's audit.
- Committee has requested a year end close out presentation for FY 24 at the board meeting on Monday, 8/26 this will be included in the finance committee's time on the agenda.

# B. Good of the Order

A reminder of the full board meeting happening on Monday, 8/26 at 5:30 p.m. at the Elementary Academy.

# C. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM.

Respectfully Submitted, Tiffany Rhodes