APPROVED

Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC Board of Directors Development Committee Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday May 15, 2025 at 4:00 PM

Location
Liberty STEAM Charter School
Network Office
117 N. 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 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
(Tajma) LaShea Davis (remote), Heather Bass

Committee Members Absent
None

Ex Officio Members Present
Trevor Ivey

Guests Present
Amy Hansen

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Heather Bass called a meeting of the Development Committee Committee of Liberty STEAM Charter to order on Thursday May 15, 2025 at 4:00 PM.

C. Invocation

Mrs. Davis gave an invocation.

D. Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Bass led the Pledge of Allegiance.

E. Reading of the Mission Statement

Mrs. Bass read the mission statement.

F. Reading of the Vision Statement

Mrs. Bass read the vision statement.

G. Approval of Consent Agenda

Heather Bass made a motion to approve the minutes from LSC Board of Directors Development Committee Meeting on 04-24-25.
(Tajma) LaShea Davis seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Development

A. Topics for Discussion

1. Update on Current Development Efforts

- Walton Foundation
- SC Department of Education Strategic Compensation Pilot

2. Teachers in Workforce Development and STEAM Workforce Development Planning
    - “STEAM Day” has evolved into STEAM PATH – a yearlong, K–12 pathway adventure.
    - Students will participate in grade-level-specific, community-identified projects.
    - Each grade level will be responsible for executing its own unique project with potential community involvement.
3. FY26 Proposed Budget
    - The proposed budget, including any amendments, will be presented to the Board for second reading approval on May 19.
4. HR Audit
    - The audit will be presented to the Board at the May 19 meeting.
5. Enrollment Update
    - Updates provided for FY25 and FY26 enrollment.
6. Hiring Update for FY26
    - Both campuses are fully staffed for the upcoming school year.
7. Quixote Foundation Update Provided.
8. Additional Development Efforts
    - Charter School Growth Fund – Next steps are in progress.
    - Children’s Trust Fund of South Carolina – Update provided.
    - Connected Communities – Development efforts ongoing.
9. Strategic Initiative
    - Introduction of LIFT (Leaders in Industry for Forward Talent) – a CEO mentorship initiative for the LSC Executive Director.
10. Charter School Growth Fund (CSGF): Progress continues with ongoing work.
11. Grants: Applied / Received / Pending
    1. Dollar General – Received
    2. Honda – Applied
    3. South Carolina Department of Education – Pending

III. Other Business

A. New Business

- An updated coaching model was provided.
- An overview on the Liberty Leadership Experience was provided.

B. Old Business

There was no old business.

C.

Agenda Items from Committee Members

There were no agenda items from committee members.

IV. Executive Session

A. Purposes of Discussion of Negotiations Incident to Proposed Property Contractual Agreements, Proposed Contractual Agreements, and/or Discussion of Personnel Matters

There was no executive session.

V. Committee Action

A. Any Action Related to Executive Session Item(s)

There was no committee action.

B. Committee Recommendations

There were no committee recommendations.

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Steps

There was no discussion.

B. Good of the Order

- May 19, 4:30 PM – Walkthrough of Junior Academy Expansion for Board of Directors
- May 23, 8:30 AM – STEAM Workforce Development Initial Planning Session #2
- November 13–14 – Capstone Days

C. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Heather Bass