

APPROVED



Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC Board of Directors Development Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday October 23, 2025 at 10:00 AM

Location

LSC Network Office

108 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.

Committee Members Present

(Tajma) LaShea Davis (remote), Heather Bass, Kimberly Rauschenbach, Marion Newton

Committee Members Absent

None

Guests Present

Amy Hansen, Crystal Fullwood, LaQuanya Chambers, Trevor Ivey

I. Opening Items**A. Record Attendance****B. Call the Meeting to Order**

Heather Bass called a meeting of the Development Committee of Liberty STEAM Charter to order on Thursday Oct 23, 2025 at 10:00 AM.

C. Invocation

Rev. Newton gave the invocation.

D. Pledge of Allegiance

Heather Bass led the Pledge of Allegiance.

E. Reading of Vision and Mission Statements

Heather Bass read the vision statement.

Kimberly Rauschenbach read the mission statement.

F. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the minutes from LSC Board of Directors Development Committee Meeting on 09-22-25.

With no objections, the consent agenda consisting of the meeting agenda and the previous meeting minutes was approved.

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

II. Development Committee Topics for Discussion

A. Executive Director's Report

LaQuanya Chambers provided the committee liaison October report:

- Key Performance Metrics: Enrollment: 913 scholars currently enrolled; Parent Volunteer Hours: 3,582 hours logged; Average Daily Attendance (ADA): 96.8%; 2 completed Service Learning Projects
- October Highlights: E-STEAM Festival; PEACE Academy; PATH Initiative; Block Walks, Trunk or Treat
- November Highlights: PATH Pitch Day – November 13–14, Patriot Village Performance, Food Drive, Morris College Homecoming Parade, Veterans Day Parade, Staff Friendsgiving
- Recruitment and Enrollment: 1,060 Current Applications: K-305, 1-166, 2-144, 3-114, 4-125, 5-117, 6-89, Military Preference-35, and Enrolled Sibling-74
- Amendments to the Roadmap to Becoming a College, Career and Life Ready 6th Grade Scholar.

Crystal Fulwood made a Hopes and Dreams Presentation that included the purpose of our Hopes and Dreams sessions is to learn more about our new scholars and hear families' expectations for Liberty STEAM Charter, while also sharing our own expectations with them. These sessions are a valuable opportunity to get ahead and ensure we have the right

support in place for those who need it most before the school year begins. Her presentation included the Roadmap to Becoming an LSC Scholar, and staff, parents, and kinder input.

Dr. Ivey provided the following updates on grants, partnerships, and fundraising:

- Walton Foundation: regular check-ins are ongoing
- Charter School Growth Fund: LSC has met all milestones to receive a December payment
- ATI Grant: Awarded – \$30,000 to LSC
- Quixote Foundation Golf Tournament: On track
- Festival of Windmills: Generated just under \$30,000 in donations
- Outstanding Grants: \$200,000 in strategic compensation funds pending (to offset decreased Title I funds)
- LIFT is now integrated into PATH, with Dr. Ivey scheduled to visit each PATH site to engage directly with business and industry partners.
- PATH Pitch Day set for November 13–14
- All directors are encouraged to complete the career assessment linked to the 6th Grade Roadmap in order to share findings at the October 27 Board Meeting (approx. 10 minutes).

Dr. Ivey shared that LSC received a clean FY25 audit with no recommendations.

III. New Business

A. Director Requested Agenda Topics for Future Presentation

Committee members were asked to contact Dr. Ivey for future agenda topic presentation requests.

IV. Closing Items

A. Committee Recommendations

1. Revisions to 6th Grade Roadmap: language from ACE to PATH for consistency; include military language; Ms. Chambers to connect with Barney Gadson and military liaison to explore partnership opportunities with Shaw Air Force Base to incorporate into Stop 5 of the roadmap. Review November recruitment events to ensure they are intentionally mission-aligned.
2. Ms. Chambers cascades the message to all LSC families with a more intentional message to 5th grade VIPs.
3. The Board of Directors will be asked to accept the 6th Grade Roadmap as a living document during the October 27, 2025 board meeting.
4. Recommendations for PATH Pitch Day judges are requested by Ms. Bass.
5. Directors will be asked to write thank you notes to all PATH participants.

Directors will be asked to take the SCOIS Assessment and share results and key takeaways at the October 27 board meeting.

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Hansen

Documents used during the meeting

- Oct 25-26 FACE Update .pdf
- Kindergarten Roadmap (2).pdf
- ATI Foundation Grant.pdf
- YASS Prize Icon.pdf
- FY25 Audit Icon.pdf
- Liberty STEAM Charter 2025 Financial Statements (1).pdf