



Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC Board of Directors Development Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday November 20, 2025 at 12:15 PM

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, Marion Newton (remote)

Committee Members Absent

Kimberly Rauschenbach

Guests Present

Amy Hansen, 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 Nov 20, 2025 at 12:15 PM.

C. Invocation

Marion Newton provided 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 and mission statements.

F. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the minutes from LSC Board of Directors Development Committee Meeting on 10-23-25.

With no objections, the meeting agenda and minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

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

II. Development Committee Topics for Discussion

A. Executive Director's Report

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1. Committee Liaison LaQuanya Chambers:

1. November Report Out - included enrollment currently at 913, withdrawals at 13, parent volunteer hours at 4,675, scholar ADA 96.54%, November highlights, and upcoming December highlights. There are currently 1,430 applications with 36 military preference and 74 enrolled siblings. The career cluster breakdown included the top rated choices were hospitality, financial, and agriculture.

2. Grant and Fundraising Initiatives

1. South Carolina Children's Fund (Confirmed \$125K)
2. Walton Foundation (Efforts ongoing as well as Brown and Levine Foundations)
3. Charter School Growth Fund- Next Steps (Milestone Met to Receive \$100k Dec. Pymt)
4. Yass Alumni Award (Dr. Ivey will join the YASS Prize Alumni Contenders at the Power of Innovation Summit in Washington, DC December 3-4)
5. ATI Grant (30K Received)

6. Quixote Foundation Golf Tournament (\$350k Received)
7. Festival of Windmills - (Activities resume in January)
8. Dabo's All In Foundation (\$4k Received)
9. American Heart Association (\$2,500 Received)
10. Williams-Edwards-Brice (\$150k with \$50k designated for nonfunded curriculum needs and \$100k for non-recurring expenses)
11. Outstanding Grants (Honda Grant Submitted)
3. LIFT Initiative-Dr. Ivey continues to meet with business and industry leaders and incorporated personal visits to PATH partners.
4. 2025 Eagle Giving Tree (Flyers Provided for Each Director to Share to garner support for kindergarten scholars selected in the 2026-2027 school year lottery)
5. 2026-2027 School Calendar Proposed Amendments (to be approved December 1)
6. 2027-2028 Proposed School Calendar (to be approved December 1)
7. School Updates (Uniform Philosophy to be accepted December 1/PA tiling project; Currently nearly half of the county's approximate 1,000 four-year-old's are in the lottery, putting LSC very close to achieving the 3:1 goal for kindergarten.
8. PATH Initiative (Planning Appreciation Event December 11)

III. New Business

A. Director Requested Agenda Topics for Future Presentation

Committee members will provide agenda topics to Dr. Ivey.

IV. Closing Items

A. Committee Recommendations

Items for follow up include:

- The percentages showing each scholar's top career-cluster choice.
- The career-cluster questions.
- Explore how to build a project-based learning opportunity for 5th grade connected to scholar career-cluster interests.
- Options for scholar choices within the clusters.
- Options/plan for career choice changes.
- Data on scholars by county and ZIP code.
- PATH Partner emails to be shared with Heather Bass
- Shared electronic version of the Giving Tree flyer.

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Hansen

Documents used during the meeting

- Development Nov 25-26 FACE Update.pdf
- Development - ALL SC Children's Fund .pdf
- Academic LSC_2026-27_Academic_Calendar (1).pdf
- Academic LSC 2027-28 Academic Calendar (1).pdf