APPROVED

Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC Board of Directors Governance Committee Meeting

Date and Time
Friday January 23, 2026 at 9:00 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
Cameron Chandler, Kimberly Rauschenbach

Committee Members Absent
Greg Thompson

Ex Officio Members Present
Trevor Ivey

Guests Present
Amy Hansen, Dexter Butler, Gifford Shaw, Kyle Kelly (Committee Non Director), Shafara, Shafara Douglas

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Cameron Chandler called a meeting of the Governance Committee Committee of Liberty STEAM Charter to order on Friday Jan 23, 2026 at 9:00 AM.

B. Invocation

Cameron Chandler gave an invocation

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Cameron Chandler led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Reading of Mission and Vision Statement

Cameron Chandler read the mission statement.
Kimberly Rauschenbach read the vision statement.

II. Consent Agenda

A. Consent Agenda Approval of Meeting Agenda and Previous Minutes

Motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of the meeting agenda minutes and minutes from LSC Board of Directors Governance Committee Meeting on 11-21-25.
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

III. Governance Committee Topics for Discussion

A. Executive Director's Report

Cammy Chandler welcomed Shafara Douglas who attended with Dexter Butler for an athletics plan presentation.

The Governance Committee met on January 23, 2026. Dr. Ivey presented the Executive Director’s Report.

- The Proposed Best Practices in Grading and Homework Guidance is presented for information at this meeting with board consideration scheduled for the March meeting. Amendments, additions, and/or corrections are clearly identified throughout the document, which is included in the Board meeting packet for review in advance of anticipated Board action at the March meeting.

- A Proposed Board Election Timeline is presented for Board acceptance. The Public Charter School Alliance of South Carolina will again partner with Liberty STEAM Charter School to support the upcoming election and related procedures.

- An Executive Director's Academy Best Practices Task Force Update included an initial presentation of a draft Athletics Plan by Dexter Butler that included sports offerings options, costs, funding options, grants, shared resources, personnel. He stressed the importance and positive impact of sports in the lives of our scholars. Additional information will be shared as the process continues toward identifying athletics options for our scholars.

- Mid-Year Progress to Goals
  - Overall, Liberty STEAM Charter School is performing well across key areas of College and Career Readiness, Operational Excellence, Mission Alignment, Culture of Excellence, and Financial Strength.

  - Many targets were met or exceeded, as noted by the numbers in parentheses. Scholars are largely meeting reading and math growth targets, with strong progress toward mastery and enrichment standards.

  - Operational metrics like daily meal participation and scholar attendance remain high. Mission-aligned goals such as enrollment, socioeconomic diversity, and VIP stakeholder engagement are being achieved.

  - Staff engagement and retention are strong, reflecting a positive culture of excellence.

  - Financially, fundraising and financial goal attainment are on track.

  - Areas to watch include sustaining growth in reading and math mastery, ensuring consistent stakeholder engagement, and monitoring meal participation and attendance trends to maintain operational excellence.

IV. Closing Items

A. Committee Recommendations

Action Items:

- Mr. Butler will continue to research community resources and begin conversations with USC Sumter as a potential partnership or guidance.
- Mr. Butler will look into options to include golf as a sport.
- Wording regarding the intentionality of homework and non-specificity will be researched.
- The Board will be asked to accept the board election timeline at the January 26 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 7:58 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Amy Hansen

Documents used during the meeting

- Copy of 2026_Liberty_Election_Timeline.docx (1).pdf
- ALL Debrief Overall Liberty STEAM Charter School_ Fall '25 Spark Data Debrief (1) (1).pdf
- ALL NETWORK WIDE STAFF Survey Summary (1) (1).pdf
- ALL LSC Primary Staff Survey Summary(1) (1).pdf
- ALL LSC Elementary Staff Survey Summary (1) (1).pdf
- ALL LSC Special Pops Staff Survey Summary (1) (1).pdf
- ALL LSC Food Services Staff Survey Summary(1) (1).pdf
- All Mid-Year Survey Parent Engagement HIGH LEVEL December 2025 (2) (2).pdf
- LSC EA 25-26 MAP Data.xlsx
- 2025 EA MAP Linking Study (1).xlsx
- LSC 25-26 Mid Year Data RIT (1) (2).pdf
- ALL PA MAP Data 25-26 - MATH (3).pdf
- ALL PA MAP Data 25-26 - READING (1).pdf
- 202601 ALL LSC Semester 1 Discipline Report (1).pdf
- All Daily Attendance Metrics as of 1-13-26.pdf
- All Chronic Daily Absenct Alert as of 1-13-26.pdf
- ALL Liberty STEAM Charter School_Executive Leader Succession and Sustainability Planning 2026 (1).pdf
- Copy of Ivey's LSC Legacy Plan (2).pdf
- Mid-Year Progress to Goals LSC Copy of Organizational Goals 2025-2026 (4).pdf