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Liberty STEAM Charter

Minutes

LSC Board of Directors Development Committee Meeting

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Date and Time
Thursday March 26, 2026 at 10:00 AM

Location
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.

MISSION: Liberty STEAM Charter works to provide all students with equal access to a world-class K-12 education in an academically rigorous and student-centered learning environment, creating graduates who will be thoughtful and engaged citizens prepared to take on the leadership challenges of the 21st century.

VISION: In partnership with our families and community, our vision is to provide real-world interdisciplinary, 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, Heather Bass (remote), Kimberly Rauschenbach

Committee Members Absent

Marion Newton

Ex Officio Members Present
Trevor Ivey

Guests Present
Amy Hansen, LaQuanya Chambers

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 Mar 26, 2026 at 10:00 AM.

C. Invocation

Kimberly Rauschenbach gave an invocation.

D. Pledge of Allegiance

Heather Bass led the Pledge of Allegiance.

E. Reading of Mission and Vision Statements

Heather Bass read the mission and vision statements.

F. Approve Consent Agenda (Meeting Agenda and Previous Meeting Minutes)

Motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of the meeting agenda and minutes from LSC Board of Directors Development Committee Meeting on 02-24-26.
With no objections, the consent agenda was approved.
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Development Committee Topics for Discussion

A. Executive Director's Report

The Development Committee met on March 26, 2026. Dr. Ivey provided the executive director’s report.

Committee liaison LaQuanya Chambers presented the Family and Engagement update that included: Reviewing of March updates for family and community engagement, including enrollment status at 911, parent volunteer hours (6 HOURS- 77% (FEB) 1O HOURS- 48%), FY27 kindergarten fully enrolled with 151 new scholars, and scholar attendance data (96.5

ADA). Key discussions centered around the College Career and Military Ready Roadmap, with concerns raised about ensuring adequate exposure to all career clusters, particularly engineering and skilled trades and other non-traditional paths that may not have been currently chosen as top scholar career choice at this stage in the process.

The committee discussed plans for a capstone presentation to showcase scholars' experiences with the roadmap and addressed the need to bridge gaps in career cluster exposure.

Significant updates were shared regarding a $2 million YASS Grant Award, with $1.5 million in the form of an interest-free loan and $500,000 as a grant, marking the first-ever full build-out proposal funding for the school.

The meeting focused on updates and planning for the PATH project and career readiness initiatives. Dr. Ivey shared his recent PATH visit at Prisma as a successful example of partnership with a kindergarten class that contributed to the creation of a play center for pediatric patients at Prisma. The group discussed partner assignments for next year, with all 37 current partners confirming participation and expressing interest in specific grade levels, particularly banks wanting to focus on 6th grade cybersecurity education.

Heather Bass agreed to schedule a workshop in April or May to finalize partner assignments and address career forecasting needs.

Dr. Ivey covered updates on the executive leadership search, with 42 candidates applying to date.

Plans are confirmed for an upcoming coordinated visit with CCTC visit Horry Georgetown Technical College on May 18 to explore early college high school possibilities.

Documents for final review of the Test Security Policy and Procedures and homework guidance policy were included in the meeting packet.

Succession Planning Documentation for Review: Executive Leadership and Sustainability Planning and Dr. Ivey’s Legacy Plan were included in the meeting packet for review.

III. New Business: Requests for Future Agenda Topics/Committee Recommendations

A. Committee Action Items

Dr. Ivey will align with Ms. Bass and Ms. Rauschenbach on PATH partner assignments for FY27 to be given out to teachers before they leave for summer break.

Ms. Bass will schedule a meeting in April or May with PATH partners.

Priority focus will be on refining stop 3 of the roadmap to bridge the gap to ensure 5th grade scholars are exposed to the top 4 career clusters in Sumter along with the scholar's top career cluster from the career assessment. Ms. Chambers will ensure this is prioritized with the collective leadership roadmap committee and will flush out the details of the capstone presentation to conclude the roadmap experience.

IV. Closing Items

A. 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

- ALL REVISED 2025 Alumni Award Agreement_Loan + Grant_Liberty STEAM Charter School.pdf
- ALL Ivey's LSC Legacy Plan (6).pdf
- ALL Liberty STEAM Charter School_Executive Leader Succession and Sustainability Planning 2026 (1) (1).pdf
- ALL LSC ED Succession Plan.docx.pdf
- ALL Succession Planning Finance Committee (3) (9).pdf
- ALL Durfee-Sabbatical-Report-FINAL.pdf
- ALL NEW Sabbatical Readiness.pdf
- ALL DIY-Sabbatical-Guide_Updated-Jan-2024.pdf
- ALL Creative Disruption.pdf
- ALL Succession Charter CEO Excellence Framework v2.0.pdf
- ALL Liberty Steam Focus Group Insights FINAL.docx.pdf
- ALL Ideal Candidate Profile for Deputy Superintendent - FINAL.pdf
- Mar 25-26 FACE Update .pdf