



# State Charter Schools Foundation of Georgia

## Minutes

### State Charter Schools Foundation of Georgia Quarterly Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Tuesday May 3, 2022 at 12:00 PM

#### Location

***This meeting will occur in person.***

SCSC Conference Room - West Tower, 5th Floor  
205 Jesse Hill Jr. Drive, SE  
Atlanta, GA 30334

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This meeting will occur in person in the State Charter Schools Commission board room, located on the 5th floor of the West Tower of 205 Jesse Hill Jr. Dr., SE, Atlanta, GA.

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#### Directors Present

A. Welcher (remote), C. Sears, E. Mitchell (remote), J. Tugman, L. Holcomb, L. Olens (remote), S. Kumar, T. Beck, Y. Mack (remote)

#### Directors Absent

F. Konteh, T. Lowden

#### Ex Officio Members Present

M. Neely

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#### Non Voting Members Present

M. Neely

### **Guests Present**

gabriellenrogers@gmail.com (remote), joanne.louis33@yahoo.com (remote),  
steven.quinn@gacan.org

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## **I. Opening Items**

### **A. Record Attendance**

### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

### **C. Approve Minutes**

J. Tugman made a motion to approve the minutes from State Charter Schools Foundation of Georgia Quarterly Board Meeting on 02-01-22.

T. Beck seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **D. Introductions**

Members and guests introduced themselves.

## **II. Financial Report**

### **A. Presentation of March 2022 and YTD Reports**

T. Beck reported that we were on track for the fiscal year. The budget has been approved for the GEER II grant and expect to start expending funds shortly. We expect to spend \$300,000 this FY. A \$2,000 matching grant was received for books and \$2,000 was received in sponsorships for the Shining Star Teacher program. L. Holcomb noted that the SCSC would continue to support the administrative expenses for the SCSF so that the SCSF can focus on programmatic fundraising.

### **B. Financial Outlook**

## **III. Georgia Strategic Charter School Growth Initiative**

### **A. Charter Growth Initiative Update**

M. Neely and L. Holcomb gave an update and went through the presentation given to the SCSC commissioners. L. Holcomb indicated that it is important for charter school growth to continue throughout the state.

### **B. Approve start-up grant for Miles Ahead Charter School**

M. Neely provided background and a summary of the grant recommendation. K. Blixon provided information about Miles Ahead and the importance of this grant for the startup of the school. She expressed her appreciation for the support. Miles Ahead will start with K-3, and will be located in Powder Springs. She provided additional details about the school. Board members asked questions about the school design and progress towards opening.

L. Holcomb made a motion to approve the grant.

S. Kumar seconded the motion.

T. Beck asked about the eligible schools possible. L. Olens asked about reporting requirements. M. Neely provided clarification. C. Sears asked about

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **IV. Board Governance**

##### **A. Bylaw Amendments**

C. Sears reviewed the proposed changes. J. Tugman expressed his support to help the SCSF plan for the future and ensure continuity in the organization.

T. Beck made a motion to approve the changes.

L. Holcomb seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

##### **B. Vote on New Board Members**

C. Sears expressed his support for the candidates.

J. Tugman made a motion to approve the three board members.

S. Kumar seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

##### **C. Vote on Officers**

C. Sears reviewed the openings and the nominations. C. Sears opened the floor for nominations. The decision was made to vote on the two nominations.

S. Kumar made a motion to make Yolanda Vice Chair.

J. Tugman seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

T. Beck made a motion to approve Fadzai Konteh as Secretary.

L. Holcomb seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

##### **D. Review and Discussion of Board Member Expectations**

C. Sears gave a review and summary.

#### **V. President's Report**

##### **A.**

### **Update on Strategic Goals**

M. Neely gave an update.

## **VI. 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 1:43 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. Sears