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Simple Vue Academy

Minutes

SVA Governing Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday September 17, 2025 at 7:45 PM

Location
The Simple Vue Academy
3264 Brookmont Pkwy
Douglasville, GA 30135

Trustees Present
A. Giles, A. Helton, C. Henderson, D. Brown, E. Olufade (remote), L. Curry, M. Wills Brown

Trustees Absent
W. Roshell

Guests Present
M. Felts, N. Edouard

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

M. Wills Brown called a meeting of the board of trustees of Simple Vue Academy to order on Wednesday Sep 17, 2025 at 7:48 PM.

C.

Approval of Minutes

A. Helton made a motion to approve the minutes from Called Meeting on 08-18-25.
D. Brown seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Executive Director's Report

A. Executive Director's Report by Nandi Edouard

Recent Successes

The Simple Vue Academy has officially been added to the redefinED Atlanta portfolio.

Academic Report

The Executive Director shared that a graduate profile has been created to guide student outcomes. The school has achieved a strong start to the year, with over 92% attendance in the first six weeks. All students completed MAP diagnostics in Reading and Math, enabling teachers and administrators to develop targeted strategies for addressing learning gaps. The new gifted program will launch in late fall, following the identification of eligible students. Additionally, students in the MTSS (Multi-Tiered System of Supports) program will begin receiving specialized support after fall break. The student support team continues to provide small group instruction and social-emotional learning support in classrooms to ensure equitable access to learning. Key upcoming items include progress reports at six weeks, gifted testing in October, and ongoing daily intensive instruction supported by at-home practice.

Finance Report

Current enrollment stands at 78 students, with eight withdrawals since the start of the year. Four new students were added last week, and an additional four are expected soon. The budget was originally based on an enrollment projection of 117 students, which will not be met, resulting in anticipated budget adjustments. To manage costs, SVA will consolidate the humanities and science teacher roles.

Governance & Operations Report

The Executive Director highlighted several areas where board support is needed to ensure clear and equitable school policies.

- Student and Family Handbook
  - Revise the terroristic threat section to include clear, school-specific procedures.
  - Add policy regarding birthday celebrations and outside food to address equity, allergies, and logistical challenges.
- Enrollment Policy
  - Strengthen procedures for transcript collection and student records compliance.

- Ensure alignment with new laws regarding student records and transfers.
- Benchmark policy against comparable schools for best practices.

III. Governance Committee Report

A. Review of Member/Officer Tracking

The board discussed aligning officer terms with the fiscal year, which ends on June 30. While the bylaws specify two-year terms, adjustments were proposed to synchronize service periods.

B. Board Recruitment

Two prospective board members will be interviewed before the October Governance Committee meeting.

C. Grievance Policy Discussion

The Governance Committee reviewed updates to the grievance process, which will combine the Employee and Family Grievance Policies. Individuals raising concerns are first directed to the Executive Director, who provides guidance and references the grievance policy. If further action is needed, the matter is escalated to the Chair of the Governance Committee, and subsequently to the Board Chair, Dr. Monica. Board members will not respond individually to complaints, ensuring a consistent and centralized process.

D. SCSC Monitoring Update

September 15: SCSC Webinar was hosted to review the new platform and expectations.
September 16: Monitoring opened. Drafting policies will take place from September 16-24.
October 1: Governance Committee review. Gregg will attend this meeting and address questions related to legal compliance.
October 15: Board meeting to approve updated policies.
October 31: Monitoring closes.

IV. Financial Committee Preview

A. July 2025 Financials

The Finance Committee presented July’s financials. The finance committee provided a slide deck highlighting key metrics and trends, including revenue, expenditures, and cash management. Updates to the budget forecast reflect changes in enrollment and funding sources, and the committee is exploring strategies to strengthen financial stability, including setting aside funds in a dedicated savings account.

B.

Fundraising Update

The board discussed plans for the end-of-year campaign, scheduled to run from October through mid-December, with a focus on engaging both local and well-known entrepreneurs.

The spring event is recommended to use the Give Butter platform, and the save-the-date for the fundraising brunch is set for February 28th, with a current ticket price of $95.

The board noted that follow-up is needed regarding a potential paint-and-sip fundraiser.

V. Action Items

A. SVA Board & Officer Term Alignment

A. Helton made a motion to align Officer terms with ending on June 30 fiscal year.
A. Giles seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

C. Henderson	Aye
A. Giles	Aye
E. Olufade	Aye
D. Brown	Aye
W. Roshell	Absent
L. Curry	Aye
M. Wills Brown	Aye
A. Helton	Aye

B. Open Records Officer

L. Curry made a motion to designate the Director of Operations, currently Adrienne Brooks, as the Open Records Officer.
M. Wills Brown seconded the motion.
Adrienne Brooks
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

C. Henderson	Aye
W. Roshell	Absent
A. Giles	Aye
L. Curry	Aye
E. Olufade	Aye
A. Helton	Aye
D. Brown	Aye
M. Wills Brown	Aye

C. Virtual Instruction Days

A. Helton made a motion to designate October 14 and March 9 as a virtual instructional days.
A. Giles seconded the motion.
Struggling with planning time during the school day with teachers. Douglas County has a fall break from October 13-17 so would like to add October 14 as a virtual day for students.

The ask is that Nandi report back with metrics on success
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
L. Curry	Aye
D. Brown	Aye
M. Wills Brown	Aye
C. Henderson	Aye
A. Giles	Aye
E. Olufade	Aye
A. Helton	Aye
W. Roshell	Absent

D. Enrollment Marketing Contract

The board discussed the current enrollment contract with Mariposa and a request to extend the agreement to support recruitment efforts for the upcoming year. The Executive Director proposed restructuring the contract from an activity-based model to a yield-based model, in which Mariposa would commit to recruiting a specified number of students.

The board agreed to table the vote and review the restructured contract before moving forward.

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 9:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. Wills Brown