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Simple Vue Academy

Minutes

SVA Governing Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday August 19, 2026 at 6:30 PM

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

Trustees Present
A. Giles (remote), C. Spellman, D. Brown, L. Curry, N. Owens, T. Ali Cayne, W. Roshell

Trustees Absent
None

Guests Present
Gregg Stevens, Heather Robinson, M. Felts, N. Edouard

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

L. Curry called a meeting of the board of trustees of Simple Vue Academy to order on Wednesday Aug 19, 2026 at 6:37 PM.

C.

Approval of Minutes

D. Brown made a motion to approve the minutes from SVA Governing Board Meeting on 07-15-26.
W. Roshell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Executive Director's Report

A. Executive Director's Report by Nandi Edouard

Enrollment Update
◦ Current enrollment stands at 101 scholars against a budgeted goal of 125; 120 is the minimum needed to stay on financial track
◦ A summer influx of 8th graders led the school to split 8th grade into two cohorts and add a Spanish class, bringing the school to six cohorts
◦ 22 enrolled students receive special education services, a significant share of the population that carries required service and staffing costs; the school is holding seats per policy while completing records requests and touring prospective families
◦ Community Engagement Specialists remain on staff through October to help close the enrollment gap; approximately four families are in the pipeline

Academic Update
◦ MAP beginning-of-year diagnostic results show math as the area of greatest need; reading performance ranges widely across grade levels; the ED will circulate the grade-level breakdown to the board
◦ Purchased the full Eureka Math curriculum and instituted math double-dosing (math class plus math lab) on a 90-minute A/B block schedule
◦ The Remedial Education Program (REP) provides targeted, monitored instruction for the lowest-performing 20% of scholars
◦ Instructional coach Dr. Nichols is on site Tuesdays and Thursdays, focusing on explicit teacher modeling, small-group instruction, and data-driven practice
◦ School-wide instructional vision includes citing text evidence across content areas

Consultant Introduction
◦ Heather Robinson (Cross&Dot LLC) described her team's support: ED coaching, special education consulting (Dr. Holly Johnson), and data collection (Shayla Davis), including a PowerSchool rebuild to ensure state reporting yields correct funding, with a follow-up analysis planned for October

High School Planning
◦ 8th graders will earn three high school credits this year (Entrepreneurship, Spanish, and PE/Health); leadership is evaluating a CTAE (workforce-driven)

course of study designation

III. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

A. Giles made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss Facilities & Personnel.
W. Roshell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
W. Roshell made a motion to return to open session.
A. Giles seconded the motion.
The Board took no action in Executive Session.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Governance Committee Report

A. Committee Meeting Assignment & Cadence

L. Curry tabled committee assignments until after the election of officers. Following the elections, the Chair announced committee assignments:

• Finance/Fundraising Committee: A. Giles, T. Ali Cayne, W. Roshell
• Governance Committee: L. Curry, N. Owens, Dr. Ray
• The Academic Committee remains vacant pending recruitment of additional board members

Each committee will propose its meeting days and times so the board can adopt and publish a committee meeting calendar at the next meeting.

B. Continued Recruitment

The board seeks approximately four additional members, with priority on candidates who bring academic backgrounds to build out the Academic Committee. The Chair will recirculate the board interest form link, and the Governance Committee will follow up with prospective candidates.

V. Financial Committee Report

A. 2026 Year-End Financials

A. Giles presented FY2026 year-end results. The school ended the year with a net operating profit of approximately $30,000. Key favorable variances included underspending of approximately $61,000 in technology and furniture and approximately $154,000 in instructional costs and pupil services. State revenue came in under budget, driven primarily by lower QBE funding from reduced enrollment, while local revenue exceeded budget by approximately $259,000 from grant awards that offset the removal of before- and after-care revenue. The school strategically overspent in recruitment and marketing to grow enrollment, and CSP funds covered more costs than anticipated.

B. Monthly Financials

For July, the school posted a net profit of approximately $105,000, before the additional expenses that come with the start of school. Approximately $1.8 million in CSP funds remains; CSP is available only for the school's first three years, making it critical to reach the 125-student enrollment goal to build sufficient cash flow for sustainability. The school's cash-on-hand goal is 60 days; the school currently holds approximately 36 days. New monthly dashboards will track student count alongside net profit, revenue, and expenses. A review of the SCSC performance dashboard showed the school in the green on most metrics, with the enrollment variance and the lack of a permanent facility as the primary risk areas. Leadership also noted that the school did not file a mid-year DE046 budget amendment despite the known enrollment variance, which may draw a comment from the state.

C. Fundraising Update

N. Edouard presented the full FY27 fundraising plan built around golf:
• Community golf clinics on October 17 and November 14, 2026 at Chapel Hill Golf Course, led by the course's golf pro, with sessions for four audiences: scholars and families, board members and their networks, community/nonprofit and for-profit partners, and the general public; tiered participant pricing above the $40 per-person green fee
• A PE golf unit so all scholars learn the game, with potential to grow into a school golf program
• The Village Golf Outing on March 8, 2027, structured as an outing (not a tournament) with teams of four and a target of 100 golfers at $150 per golfer ($15,000); sponsorship opportunities (title, presenting, 18 hole sponsors, vendor booths, auction, and raffle) could bring total revenue to $25,000-$40,000
• Projected expenses of $11,000-$13,000 (green and cart fees at $65 per player, food and beverage, awards, signage, and course management fee), for a projected net profit of $12,000-$30,000; golfer registration fees alone cover expenses even with zero sponsorships
• Timeline runs August through March, with a February 2027 sponsorship deadline and monthly progress check-ins

The board discussed clarifying in marketing whether the outing targets adults or families, incorporating student golfers into outing teams, and student sponsorship opportunities.

The Chair asked each board member to actively pursue sponsors, which counts toward each member's annual give/get obligation.

VI. Action Items

A.

Election of Officers

The board conducted the election of officers. For each office, the presiding officer opened the floor for nominations, and with no further nominations, closed nominations and called the vote:
T. Ali Cayne made a motion to approve Lovette Curry as Chairperson.
A. Giles seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
W. Roshell made a motion to approve Tariq Ali Cayne as Vice Chairperson.
A. Giles seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
A. Giles made a motion to approve Nichole Owens as Secretary.
T. Ali Cayne seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
W. Roshell made a motion to approve Anthony Giles as Treasurer.
T. Ali Cayne seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Adoption of Committee Meeting Schedule

The board deferred adoption of the committee meeting schedule to the September meeting. Committees will confirm their meeting days and times so the board can vote on and publish the calendar.

C. RIF Policy

L. Curry presented a Reduction in Force (RIF) policy establishing standard criteria and process in the event a layoff becomes necessary. Selection criteria rest on school need and job performance rather than seniority, and any reduction requires board approval. No RIF policy previously existed.
D. Brown made a motion to approve the RIF policy as presented.
A. Giles seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VII. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

D. Brown made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss Personnel.
T. Ali Cayne seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
D. Brown made a motion to return to open session.
W. Roshell seconded the motion.
The Board took no action in Executive Session.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
Report from Executive Session

In open session, the Chair reported that the board will send a revised draft of the Executive Director's employment contract to the Executive Director for review within the coming week, with a vote anticipated at the September meeting. The board acknowledged that counsel may make minor, non-material wording adjustments to the agreed framework.

VIII. Closing Items

A. Reschedule September Meeting

T. Ali Cayne made a motion to move the September board meeting to Tuesday, September 15, 2026.
A. Giles seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
L. Curry