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## Learn4Life South Carolina

# Minutes

## Board Meeting

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### Date and Time

Tuesday August 20, 2024 at 5:00 PM

### Location

**In Person:** 6209 Rivers Avenue, North Charleston, SC 29406

**Virtual via Microsoft Teams:** <https://llac.io/CHSBoard>

Meeting ID: 269 220 213 966

Passcode: o5sAEk

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### Directors Present

C. Zaloumis (remote), D. Luginbill, M. Roberts (remote), T. Senf (remote)

### Directors Absent

M. Davis, R. Thaler, S. Cooper

### Guests Present

A. Gibson (remote), A. Holmes (remote), A. Magdaleno (remote), A. Miller (remote), A. Peterson (remote), D. Petropulos, G. Sharifi (remote), H. Ruiz (remote), Jeannette Cook (remote), Kim Lane (remote), M. VanKirk (remote), Memry Molina (remote), Nadar Ali II, Nikki Lovelace (remote), R. Reyes (remote), Robert Berry (remote), Soliman Villapando (remote), T. Brown, V. Chase (remote)

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## I. Opening Items

### A. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Luginbill called a meeting of the board of directors of Learn4Life South Carolina to order on Tuesday Aug 20, 2024 at 5:05 PM.

**B. Record Board Member Attendance**

**C. Introduction of In Person and Virtual Guests**

**D. Pledge of Allegiance**

**II. Approval of Agenda**

**A. Approval of Agenda**

C. Zaloumis made a motion to approve the agenda for August 20, 2024, for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Learn4Life High School-Charleston.

M. Roberts seconded the motion.

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

**III. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes**

**A. Prior Meeting Minutes**

C. Zaloumis made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 07-16-24.

M. Roberts seconded the motion.

After a brief discussion, action was taken to approve the minutes for July 16, 2024, for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Learn4Life High School-Charleston.

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

**IV. Reports**

**A. Finance**

Ms. Lane shared on the income statement as of July 31, 2024, including the balance sheet, budget to actuals, and statements of revenue and expenditures. She also introduced the new dashboard Veris will be using for future meetings. The revenue difference was due to the state's true-up process, which is typical and expected and future payments will be based on the five-day count.

**B. School Leader**

Dr. Brown reported on the successful opening of the school year. The school year started successfully with high attendance and positive engagement with 93 students in attendance.

Dr. Brown shared on Teacher professional development was conducted successfully. With seven days of professional development were held over three weeks, including community building and specific training sessions. Also, student orientation was conducted successfully despite adverse weather conditions with 88 students in attendance.

Dr. Brown also shared on the La Lucha premiere which was very successful. 23 people from five organizations attended the event, which included a bilingual discussion.

Dr. Brown shared on the AFO (Academic, Finance, and Operations Index) and will be used to measure academic excellence, closing the achievement gap, charter goals, and instructional staff certification. She also shared on state exam scores were reviewed, and efforts are being made to improve them. Scores were low, but specific lessons and small group instruction are being implemented to address this. Ms. Peterson stated statewide scores are down, likely due to COVID-19.

Dr. Brown shared on the Current enrollment of 157 students, with efforts ongoing to finalize records and registrations. There have been delays in receiving records from partnering districts and private schools. She also mentioned Ms. Emily Paul will be helping with tracking down files of students that are pending.

Dr. Brown shared on staffing and is pleased to announce the school is fully staffed for the first time in three years and that the new staff members are experienced and committed.

### **C. Management Organization**

Mr. Robert Berry shared on last year's campaign garnered 3 million digital impressions and 35,000 clicks on the L4L website. A new targeted digital campaign started earlier this month and will run through September, then again in January and February. The campaign focused on multiple platforms, including Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, TikTok, and YouTube. It also had Olympics TV sponsorship in Charleston, which ran more than 160 spots.

Ms. Memry Molina introduced Ms. Nikki Lovelace as the new Special Education Program Coordinator. She shared that Ms. Lovelace has a background in systems improvement and special education compliance and monitoring.

Mr. Holmes shared on the PADEPP training dates and asked the board members to sign up with links that would be provided via email. Mr. Holmes also mentioned that LLAC will be helping with the training for principal evaluations. He also shared on board elections coming up in September.

### **D. Legal Update**

Ms. Peterson shared that there was no legal update at this time. She did mention major charter school revision bills will be filed by both the House and Senate Education Chairs. Meetings with legislators will start back up in preparation for January.

## **V. New Business**

### **A.**

### **2024-25 Charleston Model Safety Plan**

C. Zaloumis made a motion to approve the 2024-25 Charleston Model Safety Plan.

T. Senf seconded the motion.

Dr. Brown briefly explained the Charleston model safety plan. The plan includes protocols for safety drills, crisis management, and evacuation sites.

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

## **VI. Closing Items**

### **A. Next Board Meeting**

September 17, 2024, at 5:00p ET

### **B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:54 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. Holmes