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## Learn4Life South Carolina

# Minutes

## Board Meeting

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### Date and Time

Tuesday January 21, 2025 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 (remote), M. Roberts (remote), R. Thaler (remote), T. Senf (remote)

### Directors Absent

S. Cooper

### Guests Present

A. Gibson, A. Holmes (remote), A. Miller (remote), A. Peterson, D. Petropulos, G. Sharifi, H. Ruiz (remote), K. Welsh, M. VanKirk, Nadar Ali II (remote), R. Reyes (remote), T. Brown (remote), 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 Jan 21, 2025 at 5:01 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**

D. Luginbill made a motion to approve the agenda for January 21, 2025, for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Learn4Life High School-Charleston.

C. Zaloumis seconded the motion.

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

**III. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes**

**A. Prior Meeting Minutes**

R. Thaler made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 12-17-24.

M. Roberts seconded the motion.

After a brief discussion, action was taken to approve the minutes for December 17, 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**

Mr. Reyes shared on the financial information as of December 31, 2024, including the balance sheet, budget to actuals, and statements of revenue and expenditures.

**B. School Leader**

Dr. Brown shared the school is implementing comprehensive enrollment strategies to attract new students and retain current ones. She also shared the school will participate in National Choice Week and the district's first choice Expos next week. She mentioned that she is going to launch email campaigns and distribute yard signs with QR codes and going to send direct mailers within a two-mile radius and to specific areas.

Dr. Brown shared Federal funding allocations are decreasing due to the opening of new schools and are unlikely to increase soon. She mentioned hiring a grant director to explore additional funding sources. She also shared the different types of grants the school is receiving.

Dr. Brown also shared on EOC Assessment results with the school aiming to increase proficiency by 5% in each subject area by comparing spring testing results with the previous year. She also discussed the lack of a certified Algebra teacher negatively impacted student proficiency.

Dr. Brown gave an update that enrollment is at 162, with 16 pending applications.

Dr. Brown gave staffing updates including new hires of a behavior specialist and is still sourcing for math and ESOL positions.

### **C. Management Organization**

Mr. Holmes gave a management company report. He also mentioned the board member bios updated on BoardOnTrack and announced the National Board Summit location and date.

### **D. Legislative Update**

Ms. Peterson shared a legislative update with the House putting a stop to a charter school bill and charter school legislation is being discussed in the Senate.

## **V. Officer and Directors Comments**

### **A. Open Discussion**

Mr. Roberts asked if the school has thought about expanding. Mr. Luginbill explained that expansion discussions will begin once enrollment and staffing are stable, with lease considerations in mind.

Dr. Brown also mentioned the lease renewal and potential new locations for expansion, after next year.

## **VI. Closing Items**

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

February 18, 2025, 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 5:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. Holmes