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Learn4Life South Carolina

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday July 15, 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: 220 806 214 370 9
Passcode: Hk7XP2F5

Directors Present
C. Zaloumis, D. Luginbill (remote), M. Roberts (remote), R. Thaler (remote), S. Cooper (remote), T. Senf (remote)

Directors Absent
None

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened
R. Thaler

Guests Present
A. Gibson (remote), A. Holmes (remote), A. Miller (remote), A. Peterson (remote), Angie Guerra (remote), C. Guadiana (remote), D. Petropulos (remote), G. Sharifi (remote), H. Ruiz (remote), K. Welsh, R. Reyes, T. Brown

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 Jul 15, 2025 at 5:02 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 July 15, 2025, for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Learn4Life High School-Charleston.
S. Cooper 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 06-17-25.
T. Senf seconded the motion.
After a brief discussion, action was taken to approve the minutes for June 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 June 30, 2025, including the balance sheet, budget to actuals, and statements of revenue and expenditures. The year ended with lower expenses and higher revenues that anticipated. Mr. Welsh added there are implementations in place to add AI into the dashboard to recognize trends.
R. Thaler arrived at 5:14 PM.

B. School Leader

Dr. Brown shared on summer school successfully completed with 27 students earning credit, despite 18 students dropped due to strict attendance rules.
Dr. Brown shared on Back-to-school professional development is planned for 7 days for staff, with coordination support from LLAC. She also shared on Back-to-school orientation

is scheduled, with parents already notified, and make-up sessions available to ensure all students are prepared.
Dr. Brown shared on Enrollment is at 113 re-enrollments and 58 new applications, with ongoing efforts to reenroll students and process new applications, despite challenges with record transfers and manpower. She also gave a big shoutout to Ms. Allison for all her support.
Lastly, Dr. Brown gave a staffing update with Special Education and educational aide positions are close to being filled or filled, while the math teacher position is pending a candidate passing a certification test. She also touched on the school is nearing its capacity of 200 students, with 180 expected if all applications are processed, and is exploring creative solutions to accommodate as many students as safely possible. Mr. Thaler added due to increasing enrollment, the school needs to find an alternative site or expand. It was discussed that an alternative model could be introduced and or other facilities considerations are under review. Dr. Brown let the board know that the building next door is unavailable; initial scouting has begun, and further discussions are planned.

C. Management Organization

Mr. Holmes shard on the PADEPP training dates and asked the board members to sign up at their earliest convenience. He also mentioned staff attended the National Charter School Conference, advocating alternative schools and highlighting their benefits, with students participating in a panel discussion. Lastly, he added LLAC will soon release exciting information regarding the 25th anniversary of its schools next year.

D. Legislative Update

Ms. Peterson shared there's little legislative update due to summer recess. She will be attending legislative conferences in the next few weeks.

V. New Business

A. Leave of Absence (LOA)Policy

R. Thaler made a motion to approve the Leave of Absence (LOA) Policy.
T. Senf seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. 2025-26 Employee Handbook

T. Senf made a motion to approve the 2025-26 Employee Handbook.
C. Zaloumis seconded the motion.
Ms. Guerra shared the 2025-2026 employee handbook, reflecting legal updates and streamlined language, with a plan to further amend the parental leave section to include funding details.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

C.

2025-26 Parent-Student Handbook

T. Senf made a motion to approve the 2025-26 Parent-Student Handbook.
C. Zaloumis seconded the motion.
After a brief discussion, action was taken to approve the 2025-26 Parent-Student Handbook.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Board Meeting

August 19, 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 5:49 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Holmes