

APPROVED



Learn4Life South Carolina

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday September 16, 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, H. Grace, R. Thaler (remote), S. Cooper (remote), T. Senf

Directors Absent

M. Roberts

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

R. Thaler

Guests Present

A. Gibson (remote), A. Holmes, A. Miller (remote), D. Petropulos (remote), G. Sharifi (remote), Grace Bautista, H. Ruiz, K. Welsh (remote), M. VanKirk, R. Reyes (remote), 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 Sep 16, 2025 at 5:02 PM.

B. Swearing in of Board Members

C. Record Board Member Attendance

D. Introduction of In Person and Virtual Guests

E. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Approval of Agenda

A. Approval of Agenda

H. Grace made a motion to to approve the agenda for September 16, 2025, for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Learn4Life High School-Charleston.

C. Zaloumis seconded the motion.

Action was taken to approve the agenda for September 16, 2025, for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Learn4Life High School-Charleston.

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

III. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

A. Prior Meeting Minutes

T. Senf made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 08-19-25.

C. Zaloumis seconded the motion.

After a brief discussion, action was taken to approve the minutes for August 19, 2025, 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 August 31, 2025, including the balance sheet, budget to actuals, and statements of revenue and expenditures.

B. School Leader

Dr. Brown thanked the board for their service and dedication.

Dr. Brown shared on her students enjoying Hispanic Heritage Month with different events planned with the students. She also shared that 45th day count is fast approaching is in early October.

She mentioned 5th day count had an ADM of 161.2 students and an additional weighing of 131, with increases in enrollment expected.

Current enrollment is at 176 with 20 dropped students due to 10-day absence rule. She also shared on the schools demographics, including the special education population. Dr. Brown shared 41 new applications came in with 12 pending applications, and 9 rejections. She also shared on staffing with the need for an online course coordinator. Lastly, she thanked Grace Bautista for all her hard work while Allison White is working remotely.

C. Management Organization

Mr. Petropulos shared on enrollment goals and commended Dr. Brown on her enrollment numbers with room for classroom model changes.

Ms. Yamagata gave a brief overview on employee benefits.

Mr. Luginbill explained to the board the benefits are the best that is being offered with the low number of staff employed.

Mr. Welsh mentioned he will find room in the budget and will be discussed in the next finance committee meeting. He will also meet with Ms. Yamagata to go over figures and coverages for staff members.

Ms. Ruiz gave a brief update on the board member handbooks. She let the board know all board documents can be found in BoardOntrack and would be sending out an email with step-by-step instructions.

R. Thaler arrived at 5:25 PM.

D. Legislative Update

Ms. Peterson was unable to attend the meeting and provided her update via email prior to the meeting. Mr. Luginbill added these updates won't happen anytime before January 2026 as Legislators will not be in session until then.

V. Closed Session

A. Adjourn open public Board meeting to go into closed session

D. Luginbill made a motion to enter into closed session at 5:34p.

T. Senf seconded the motion.

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

B. Adjourn closed session and reconvene to open public Board meeting

D. Luginbill made a motion to enter into open public Board meeting at 5:39p.

T. Senf seconded the motion.

There was no action taken in closed session.

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

C. Action on items discussed in closed session, if any

D. Luginbill made a motion to approve the revised school safety plan.

C. Zaloumis seconded the motion.

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

D. Luginbill made a motion to approve the School Safety Priority Funds Application for \$93k.

T. Senf seconded the motion.

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

VI. Officer and Directors Comments

A. Open Discussion

Mr. VanKirk asked the board to help with reaching out to the community to find transportation i.e. physical possession of a vehicle to help with transporting students to and from school.

Mr. Grace offered Mike to peak at the Charleston Hispanic Association to request a possible grant. He also mentioned having a food drive set up at the school to help families and promote the school.

Lastly, Mr. Grace & Mr. Luginbill would love to see the students start up a student council or student achievement clubs.

VII. Closing Items

A. Next Board Meeting

October 21, 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 5:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. Holmes