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Learn4Life South Carolina

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday October 21, 2025 at 5:00 PM

Location

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

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

Meeting ID: 226 404 994 446 51

Passcode: jB299v5q

This meeting will be recorded and posted on the school's website pursuant to state law (S.C. Code §59-19-85).

Directors Present

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

Directors Absent

H. Grace, S. Cooper

Guests Present

A. Holmes (remote), A. Miller (remote), A. Peterson (remote), C. Gray (remote), D. Petropulos (remote), David Konis (remote), G. Sharifi (remote), H. Ruiz (remote), K. Welsh (remote), Ken Martin (remote), M. VanKirk (remote), Megan Yamagata (remote), R. Reyes (remote), T. Brown, V. Chase (remote)

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 Oct 21, 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

R. Thaler made a motion to amend the agenda for October 21, 2025, for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Learn4Life High School-Charleston by adding items 7b. SC Local Government Investment Pool and 7c. Wellness Stipend.

T. Senf 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 09-16-25.

T. Senf seconded the motion.

After a brief discussion, action was taken to approve the minutes 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.

IV. Reports

A. 2024-25 Fiscal Audit Presentation

Mr. Martin gave a report on the 2024-25 Fiscal Audit. He mentioned the school's system of internal controls, including its relationship with Veris, was found to be strong and operating effectively. He also mentioned the audit found no issues with compliance regarding state and federal regulations for funding. Lastly, the report contained no disagreements, suggestions for improvement, or other items requiring the board's specific attention.

B. Finance

Mr. Reyes shared on the financial information as of September 30, 2025, including the balance sheet, budget to actuals, and statements of revenue and expenditures.

C.

School Leader

Dr. Brown shared her report including the food drive, which was partnered by Charleston Hispanic Association and Moina Health, served 325 people. 3 board members and students helped with the food distribution and parking.

Dr. Brown shared on 45-day count with 113 students in attendance. The students also enjoyed activities during the day. She also shared on partnerships with 3 new partners.

Dr. Brown shared on Parent/Teacher conferences coming up on October 23 & 24. She also mentioned other school dates and events. Also, she reminded the board members about the fall and spring graduations, December 12, at 4:00p and June 5, at 4:00p, both being held at the Scottish Rite building.

Dr. Brown shared on 182 students currently enrolled with 7 pending withdrawals due to the 10-day drop. She also mentioned she has 20 new applications: 15 currently pending awaiting school records and 5 denials.

D. Management Organization

There was nothing to report from LLAC. Board members were reminded to review the Service Provider report for any school updates.

E. Legislative Update

Ms. Peterson shared charter school funding in South Carolina is at risk due to a legislative push to change the funding formula, which could chill the growth of the charter school sector. She also made a request for grassroots support from board members and families to put pressure on legislators regarding the funding issue. A small group of parents has already been identified as ready to be mobilized by Dr. Brown.

Dr. Brown and Ms. Peterson also would like to coordinate a voter registration program.

V. Closed Session

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

T. Senf made a motion to enter into closed session at 5:50p.

C. Zaloumis 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 6:04p.

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 increase in compensation to Dr. Brown.

C. Zaloumis seconded the motion.

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

VI. New Business

A. Board Meeting Livestreaming Policy

T. Senf made a motion to approve the Board Meeting Livestreaming Policy.

C. Zaloumis seconded the motion.

Mr. Luginbill briefly discussed the policy and recommended the board meeting recordings would be stored one month at a time for public view, unless requested to do otherwise.

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

B. SC Local Government Investment Pool

Mr. Reyes' recommendation is to keep 60 days cash on hand and invest the remainder in the pool. The board agreed to proceed with setup and will agendize a future vote before transferring money.

C. Wellness Stipend

M. Roberts made a motion to approve the Wellness Stipend for employees.

C. Zaloumis seconded the motion.

Ms. Yamagata briefly discussed the stipend aims to improve competitiveness given the inability to offer employer-paid short-term disability, and to encourage enrollment in voluntary short-term disability and other worksite benefits. This stipend will be \$20 per pay period and listed on their paystubs.

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

VII. Officer and Directors Comments

A. Open Discussion

Mr. Senf asked if the CTE area has a standard refrigerator and a smaller cooler; both were full during the last milk delivery. The board proposed adding another freezer or cooler is recommended due to the volume of drop-offs. The board invited a priced proposal as new business item for the next meeting and expressed likely support.

VIII. Closing Items

A. Next Board Meeting

November 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 6:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Holmes