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Learn4Life South Carolina

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday January 20, 2026 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

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Directors Present
C. Zaloumis, D. Luginbill (remote), H. Grace, R. Thaler (remote), S. Cooper (remote)

Directors Absent
M. Roberts, T. Senf

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened
H. Grace

Guests Present
A. Gibson, A. Holmes, A. Miller (remote), A. Peterson (remote), D. Petropulos, H. Ruiz (remote), K. Welsh (remote), M. VanKirk, Matt Riley, 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 Jan 20, 2026 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

S. Cooper made a motion to approve the agenda for January 20, 2026, 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 11-18-25.
C. Zaloumis seconded the motion.
After a brief discussion, action was taken to approve the minutes for November 18, 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 December 31, 2025, including the balance sheet, budget to actuals, and statements of revenue and expenditures. He also mentioned that Federal grants have been approved and it has also been approved to invest in the state investment pool; paperwork to be shared next month.

B. School Leader

Dr. Brown shared her report including the December Graduation which was a strong event with impactful student speeches and a student success story. She also shared upcoming events including National School Choice Week, parent appreciation, re-enrollment

February 2-20, two-week open enrollment for lottery compliance from February 23-March 2, and Black History Month events planned.

Dr. Brown shared on transportation with exploring a 10-month van lease. She also mentioned other vendors could be possible. Dr. Brown also shared on student home visits to improve attendance and a food pantry in partnership with Charleston Hispanic Association. She added that the ASVAB is now offered with two recruiters coming to the campus weekly.

Dr. Brown shared on 90th count day ADM of 165 and current school enrollment of 205. She also spoke on drop reasons from August 2025 to present with 10-day drops, aged out, adult corrections, graduation, juvenile detention, no-shows, moved out of country, & transfers. It was mentioned that a position was posted for a Student Retention Liaison.

Dr. Brown shared on the State report card which were covered in her PPT presentation on slides 11-19.

Dr. Brown shared on the school's new Educational Aide and open staff positions including a Student Retention Liaison, Special Education Teacher, and a second Educational Aide. H. Grace arrived at 5:09 PM.

C. Management Organization

Mr. Holmes shared on School Board Appreciation Month and gave each board member present a magnetic name tag and for those that were virtual or absent they would be available at the school to pick up.

Mr. Holmes also mentioned new member training required within the first year with a session on January 23 and once finished to please submit certificates to the Governance team. Lastly, he mentioned an opportunity from the Civic Literacy and Media Influence Fellowship with applications due this Friday.

D. 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 mentioned S-454 Charter School Accountability Bill which prevents authorizer shopping and will hold the school and authorizers more accountable.

V. Closing Items

A. Next Board Meeting

February 17, 2026, 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 5:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Holmes