

AGENDA

Midlands STEM Charter School

Board Meeting Minutes

Monday November 11th, 2024 6:00 PM

854 US Hwy 321 Business S, Winnsboro, SC 29180

The mission of the Midlands STEM Charter School (MSCS) is to produce academically and physically fit STEM proficient students.

Call to Order and Welcome, Chairman Thomas, who also read the mission statement.

Invocation – Jennifer Lanier

Pledge of Allegiance – Jennifer Cunningham

Confirmation of a Quorum – Ashley Varnadore

Confirmation of Notice of Public Meeting - Dr Kennedy

Roll Call - present in person were Kevin Thomas, Kizzie Smalls, Dan Campbell, Jennifer Lanier, Wes Wesley, Ashley Varnadore, Jennifer Cunningham and TK Kennedy.

Public Comment - none per Ms Cathcart

A. Board Officer Elections

- Wes Wesley nominates Kevin Thoms for chair. Jennifer Cunningham seconded. There was no discussion. Vote was unanimous.
- Dan Campbell nominated Kizzie Smalls for vice chair. Jennifer Cunningham seconded. There was no discussion. Vote was unanimous.
- Kizzie Smalls nominated Jennifer Lanier for secretary. Wes Wesley seconded. There was no discussion. Vote was unanimous.
- Wes Wesley nominated Dan Campbell for treasurer. Kizzie Smalls seconded. There was no discussion. Vote was unanimous.

B. Action Items

1. October Budget Report

Bill reviewed the critical financial metrics; no questions. Bill reviewed the Balance sheet; no questions. Bill reviewed the statement of Revenues and Expenses. Dan Campbell asked about electric bill for new building; will monitor new building energy use taking into account first months of start up; more information to be gathered for baseline.

Dan Campbell made a motion to approve the October budget. Kizzie Smalls seconded. There was no discussion. Vote was unanimous.

2. October Board Meeting Minutes

Wes Wesley made a motion to approve October board meeting minutes. Kizzie Smalls seconded. There was no discussion. Vote was unanimous.

3. Weather Make up Day

TK Kennedy proposed weather make up day from hurricane. Dan Campbell made a motion for students to makeup the Sept 30 inclement weather day on Friday, November 15. Jennifer Cunningham seconded. There was no discussion. Vote was unanimous.

C. Executive Director's Report

1. Enrollment

Dr Kennedy - enrollment at 290 - Open room in grades 3 and 5. Open enrollment until those are full.

2. State Report Card

Dr Kennedy - reviewed Elementary, Middle and High state reports. https://screportcards.com/explore-districts/

D. Chairman's Report

Thank you to everyone who participated in the veterans day ceremony.

1. Facilities Update

Leak in gym corrected. Playground fencing installation starting this week with a local installer. Drainage around the road is of concern and grader and contractor are being contacted. 1 year warranty on construction.

- 2. Financial Consultant Update
 - 1. Work session-Charter School History & Financing

Rus Caldwell - explain how SC charters are funded.

3. Erskine Leaders Cohort – High Performing Schools Presentation of examples of high performing schools.

E. Adjournment

1. Kizzie Smalls made a motion to adjourn. Jennifer Cunningham seconded. No discussion. Vote was unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.