

Midlands STEM Institute Board Meeting Minutes August 26, 2024 112 Crane St, Winnsboro, SC 29180

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

Invocation - Kizzie Smalls

Pledge of Allegiance - Chairman Thomas

Confirmation of a Quorum - Lauren Beck

Confirmation of Notice of Public Meeting - TK Kennedy

Roll Call--present in person were Kevin Thomas, Lauren Beck, Dan Campbell, Kizzie Smalls, and TK Kennedy. Mark Johnston, Emily Estep, Wes Welch, and Chantelle Berry were present via zoom.

A. Action Items

- 1. Dan Campbell made a motion to approve the June Budget report. Lauren Beck seconded. There was no discussion. Vote was unanimous.
- 2. Dan Campbell made a motion to approve June Board Meeting Minutes. Mark Johnston seconded. No discussion. Vote was unanimous.
- 3. Kizzie Smalls made a motion to approve the Fire Prevention Policy. Mark Johnston seconded. There was no discussion. Vote was unanimous.

B. Executive Director's Report

- 1. Staffing update- 47 total staff/faculty/custodial currently
- 2. Enrollment: current 330 (20 preK); 20% increase in SPED students this year (25 more than last year); current openings in 3rd, 5th, and 12th.

C. Chairman's Report

- 1. Thank you
- 2. Facilities Update
- 3. Financial Consultant Update
- 4. SCDE policies (cell phones, curriculum, etc)

C. Executive Session

- 1. Mark Johnston made a motion to enter executive session. Dan Campbell seconded. There was no discussion. Vote was unanimous. Board entered executive session at 7:50 pm.
- 2. Emily Estep made a motion to exit executive session. Mark Johnston seconded. There was no discussion. Executive session ended at 8:00pm.

E. Adjournment

1. Kizzie Smalls made a motion to adjourn. Mark Johnston seconded. No discussion. Vote was

unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Lauren Beck secretary August 26, 2024