



Midlands STEM Institute

Board Meeting Minutes

May 20, 2024

112 Crane St, Winnsboro, SC 29180

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

**Invocation** - Wes Welch

**Pledge of Allegiance** - TK Kennedy

**Confirmation of a Quorum** - Lauren Beck

**Confirmation of Notice of Public Meeting** - Kevin Thomas

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

**A. Action Items**

1. Dan Campbell made a motion to approve the April Budget report. Emily Estep seconded. There was no discussion. Vote was unanimous.
2. 2024-2025 Budget Second Reading Dan Campbell made a motion to approve the second reading of 24-25 Budget. Mark Johnston seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Vote was unanimous.
3. Mark Johnston made a motion to approve April Board Meeting Minutes. Dan Campbell seconded. No discussion. Vote was unanimous.
4. Sports Survey results
5. Busing options for two apartment complexes in Winnsboro. Dan Campbell made the motion to approve a limited bus route. Lizzie Smalls seconded. No discussion. Vote was unanimous.

**B. Executive Director's Report**

1. Enrollment is at 250 (236 without Pre-K).
2. Next year enrollment is at 303 (287 without Pre-K).
3. April teacher of the month was Ms Duncan, staff of the month was Ms Cooper.
4. Students of the month: Chase LeGrand (elementary), Harley Dutton (secondary)

**C. Chairman's Report**

1. Erskine Awards: Louise Cathcart-Welch 2024 Finance Champion
2. Facilities Update
3. MOU
4. Financial Consultant Update

**C. Executive Session**

1. Mark Johnston made a motion to enter executive session. Emily Estep seconded. There was no

discussion. Vote was unanimous. Entered executive session at 8:15 pm.

2. Dan Campbell made a motion to exit executive session. Mark Johnston seconded. There was no discussion. Vote was unanimous. Exited executive session at 8:50 pm.

#### **D. Adjournment**

1. Mark Johnston made a motion to adjourn. Kizzie Smalls seconded. No discussion. Vote was unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm.

*Respectfully submitted by Lauren Beck secretary May 20, 2024*