



“To provide every child with a classical and academically rigorous education while instilling a commitment to civic virtue and moral character”

***Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Savannah Classical Academy, Inc.
August 25, 2021***

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Savannah Classical Academy, Inc., was conducted via Zoom Video Conference Due to COVID-19 Precautions at 5:30 pm, Wednesday, August 25, 2021, on notice duly given.

The board directors present were:

Scott McGhie
Ryan Dew
Coren Ross
Paul Sidney
Terri O'Neil
Barry Lollis, School Director

Absent with notice:

Jennifer Davenport

It was determined there was a quorum as required by the bylaws for transaction of business.

Mr. McGhie, chair, called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm.

Mr. McGhie called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and the Minutes from the July 12, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors. Mrs. Ross motioned to amend the Agenda with two additional items: adding a Closed Session item prior to Public Comment to discuss a Legal Matter and adding item “vi. Transition of the Treasurer Title” under New Business. Ms. O’Neil seconded the motion. Mr. McGhie called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended and the Minutes from the July 12, 2021 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors. Ms. O’Neil moved to approve the motion. Mrs. Ross seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mr. Lollis presented the Director's Report, highlights of which included:

- A personnel update, including vacancies and contractor fulfillments
- The timeline of diagnostic assessments
- An update on athletics
- An update on the custodial contractors
- A notice of the October FTE count day
- A COVID case count report per week
- A report of FY21 State Assessment results

*****All reports discussed in the minutes are kept on file and are available for review. *****

- A notice of the receipt of the PPP Forgiveness Letter
- An update on the entry into the SHBP program

Mr. McGhie asked if the structure and protocols that were implemented last school term under COVID were to remain in place. Mr. Lollis stated that the daily structure and protocols were to be kept largely in place, with some allowance for mingling among students under close supervision so cohort contact tracing can still be maintained. Mr. Lollis stated the intent was to cautiously bring back the community environment.

Ms. O'Neil asked for an update on the final Strategic Plan. Mr. Lollis stated that he would circulate it to the Board.

Ms. O'Neil presented the SCA Foundation report, noting dates of scheduled upcoming tours. Ms. O'Neil indicated that planning tours for prospective donors and advocates is a current focus and encouraged SCA Board Members to attend at least one of the three upcoming scheduled events. Ms. O'Neil concluded with the announcement of the receipt of \$100,000 through the Hodge Foundation Grant.

There was no Unfinished Business before the Board to discuss.

Under the first item of New Business, School Calendar, Mr. Lollis presented the proposed 2021-2022 SCA calendar. Mrs. Ross moved to accept the amended calendar as presented by Mr. Lollis. Mr. Sidney seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mr. McGhie presented the second item under New Business, the FY 2022 Budget. The FY 2022 Budget report was shared and discussed. Mr. McGhie noted that any substantial increases or changes will be approved through the normal Board approval process. Mr. McGhie called for a motion to accept the FY 2022 Budget as presented. Ms. Ross moved to approve the motion. Mr. Dew seconded. Mrs. Ross withdrew her motion. Mr. Dew subsequently moved to approve the FY 2022 Budget as presented. Ms. O'Neil seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mr. McGhie introduced Mr. Lenorris Williams, a New Board Member Candidate. Mr. McGhie noted that Mr. Williams was put forth by Ms. O'Neil and that his bio was sent to the Board prior to this meeting. Mr. Williams introduced himself, providing an overview of his background and interest. Ms. O'Neil spoke to his community involvement and advocacies. Mr. McGhie thanked Mr. Williams for his time. Mr. McGhie then called for a motion to approve Mr. Lenorris Williams as a Savannah Classical Academy Board of Director member. Ms. O'Neil moved to approve the motion. Mrs. Ross seconded. Approved unanimously. Mr. McGhie and others welcomed Mr. Williams to the SCA Board of Directors.

Mr. McGhie next led a discussion on Committee Assignments. He stated the importance of getting back to a formalization of three core committees. Mr. McGhie asked each Board member to notify him of which Committee they would like to serve upon. Mr. McGhie concluded that goals for the Committees will be discussed at the next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Lollis next discussed a proposed Pre-K Program, providing the Board of Directors with an update on a needs assessment timeline for facility groundwork. Mr. Lollis requested an authorization from the Board to expand the school to include a Pre-K Program. Ms. O'Neil asked for a preliminary budget and timeline with action items for the Board to review and vote upon during the next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors. Mr. Lollis stated that he would put together a Pre-K plan to present. Further discusses was held. Ms. O'Neil motioned to approve adding a Pre-K Program with authorization to engage in getting the facility in motion. Mrs. Ross seconded. Ms. O'Neil withdrew the motion after further discussion. Mr. Dew asked Mr. Lollis for a

more formal strategic plan to be presented for a vote at the next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors. Mr. McGhie affirmed withdrawal of the motion.

Mr. McGhie introduced the final item under New Business, Transition of the Treasurer title, explaining the intent of the item is to transition the Treasurer Officer responsibilities to the Board Chair. Mr. Dew moved to transition the role of Treasurer from Mrs. Coren Ross to Mr. Scott McGhie for FY2022. Mr. Sidney seconded. Mr. McGhie called for a vote on the motion. Mr. Dew, Mr. Sidney, and Ms. O'Neil approved the motion. Mrs. Ross abstained. Motion is approved.

Mrs. Ross moved to enter closed session pursuant to O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(b) at 7:36 pm to discuss a legal matter. Ms. O'Neil seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mrs. Ross moved to leave closed session and resume open session at 7:46 pm; Mr. Dew seconded. Approved unanimously.

There was no Public Comment.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Savannah Classical Academy adjourned at 7:48 pm.

A regular meeting is scheduled for September 21, 2021 at 5:30 am conducted via Zoom Video Conference.

Respectfully submitted,

(signed copy on file)

Christina Orlandi under supervision of Ryan Dew, Secretary