



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

*Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Savannah Classical Academy, Inc.  
January 26, 2017*

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Savannah Classical Academy, Inc. was held at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, January 26, 2017, at Savannah Classical Academy, 705 East Anderson Street, on notice duly given.

The board directors present were:

Ormonde Lewis  
Falen Cox  
John Picker  
Barbara Cortese  
Dr. Jacobium Holliman  
Dr. Gwen Miller-Smith  
Andy Blair  
Terri O’Neil  
Martha Nesbit  
Dr. Donna Isaac  
Benjamin Couch Payne, School Director

It was determined there was a quorum for the transaction of business.

Ormonde Lewis, chair, called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Falen Cox moved to correct the minutes by deleting the second entry of “Dr. Gwen Miller-Smith” from the list of “board directors present” from the minutes, all board members present agreed; John Picker moved to accept the consent agenda, Dr. Jacobium Holliman seconded; all board members present agreed.

At 5:37 p.m. John Picker moved to go into closed session pursuant to O.C.G.A. 50-14-4 (b) (1) to discuss a disciplinary matter, and a personnel matter. Andy Blair seconded, all board members present agreed. At 6:42 p.m. Jacobium Holliman moved to return to open session, John Picker seconded, all board members present agreed. John Picker moved to support the decision of the Discipline Advisory Committee to dismiss the student who was the subject of closed session discussion from SCA, Dr. Jacobium Holliman seconded. Falen Cox, Jacobium Holliman, Barbara Cortese, Andy Blair, John Picker, Ormonde Lewis, Dr. Donna Iassac, Dr. Gwen Miller-Smith, and Marth Nesbit voted in favor of John Picker’s motion; Terri O’Neil opposed. The motion passed.

Board directors reviewed the strategic plan, and updated it by adding goals, and re-assigning tasks; the additions are available for review. The development committee, provided a written list of updates. Mr. Marv Leroy of The Center for Philanthropic Excellence, has been provided notice of SCA’s intention to terminate his contract—effective 60 days from the date of the notice. Development committee members encouraged board directors to review the draft version of the fundraising campaign’s case study and related documents. The committee further recommended annualization of the 100k board challenge, and that the comprehensive campaign set a goal to raise \$2.5 million dollars within 5 years. Additionally, Ms. Cortese suggested that the board invite members of the SCA Foundation board to the March SCA board meeting, and set aside 1 hour will to discuss the comprehensive campaign, and the dual campaigns of the SCA board and the SCA Foundation board. Barbara Cortese provided board directors with a list of scheduled local board meetings to assist with planning the mobilization and advocacy of SCA stakeholders of SCA, however, the

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

public budget meetings have not yet been scheduled. Board directors also discussed the need to delegate administrative duties related to both campaigns to an administrator.

There was no new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:54p.m. A regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 9 26, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at Savannah Classical Academy, 704 East Anderson Street.

Respectfully submitted,

(signed copy on file)

Falen O. Cox, Secretary