



“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.
January 10, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Savannah Classical Academy, Inc., was held at 4:30 pm, Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at Savannah Classical Academy, 705 East Anderson Street, on notice duly given.

The board directors present were:

Scott McGhie
Ryan Dew
Terri O'Neil
Paul Sidney
Lenorris Williams
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 4:35 pm.

Mr. McGhie called for a motion to amend the Agenda to add an SCA Foundation Report item under Open Session and to update the Board of Directors Meeting date to January 10th, 2023. Mr. Dew moved to amend the Agenda accordingly and to approve the Minutes from the December 13, 2022, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors. Mr. Williams seconded. Approved unanimously.

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

- An academic update including the distribution of Report Cards on January 6th, a review of Write Score and first semester State Assessment results, a second semester schedule change to Spartan Hour in Middle School, and an update on Varsity Tutors contract proposal for remediation support with a cost of roughly \$75,000.
- A notice of past and upcoming events including the 10th and 12th grade field trip to the JEA Holocaust Exhibit, the 6th grade field trip to the Junior Achievement Discovery Center on January 20th, and discussion of the upcoming Board Retreat.

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

- An operations update including notices of the Charter Amendment Update at the February Meeting, receipt and allocation of Title I Carry Forward Funds and \$78,528 in Federal Facility Funds (approved for reimbursement of rent), the successful enrollment in the State Health Benefits Plan and its reflection in the March CPI Report, the pending electrical survey by Georgia Power, and a 2023-2024 Lottery and current enrollment update.
- Distribution of the proposed FY24 Calendar for Board approval.

Ms. O’Neil presented the SCA Foundation report, stating that the SCA Foundation’s priorities remain consistent and highlighting a tour planed on February 7th to build awareness. Ms. O’Neil explained she and Mr. Lollis are working on marketing collateral for the campaign and, once approved, a strategic timeline will be set for the campaign. Ms. O’Neil concluded by announcing the submission of a grant request to the SCA Foundation on December 22, 2022.

Mr. McGhie stated that there was nothing to present on behalf of the Finance Committee at this time.

Mr. Dew stated that there was nothing to present on behalf of the Governance Committee at this time.

Mr. Sidney stated that there was nothing to present on behalf of the Academic Committee at this time.

Mr. McGhie welcomed Mr. Rick Roney to the meeting as a prospective Board Member. Mr. Roney introduced himself, presented his background, and explained his interest in joining the Savannah Classical Academy Board of Directors. Mr. McGhie thanked Mr. Roney for his time and interest.

The 2021-2024 Strategic Plan was distributed for review as the Strategic Plan Refresher and Discussion under New Business. Mr. McGhie stated that time will be slated to refocus on the Strategic Plan at the Board Retreat on January 28th and asked the Board to review and be prepared to provide feedback on current goals versus initial goals, focusing on the eight core objectives. Mr. McGhie reviewed additional goals in preparation for the January 28th Retreat. Mr. Dew proposed the Board undertake a self-assessment of achievement to date of Strategic Plan objectives. Mr. McGhie concluded with an update on the GCSA Whole Board Training stating that he would follow up once a date is set.

Mr. McGhie called for a motion on the Varsity Tutors action item to authorize the expenditure of up to \$75,000 through this fiscal year and the next during the 2023 calendar year. Ms. O’Neil moved to accept the recommendation by the CEO to execute a contract with Varsity Tutors, with a cost not to exceed \$75,000 within the 2023 calendar year. Mr. Williams seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mr. McGhie called for a motion on the FY24 Calendar action item. Mr. Dew moved to approve the FY24 Academic Calendar (“Proposal C”) as presented. Ms. O’Neil seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mr. Dew moved to enter Executive Session at 5:45 pm to discuss legal matters, personnel matters, and student matters. Ms. O’Neil seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mr. Dew moved to leave closed session and resume open session at 6:01 pm; Mr. Williams seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mr. Williams moved to nominate and elect Mr. Rick Roney to the Board of Directors of Savannah Classical Academy for a three-year term beginning January 11, 2023. Ms. O’Neil seconded. Approved unanimously.

There was no Public Comment.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Savannah Classical Academy adjourned at 6:03 pm.

A regular meeting is scheduled for February 15th, 2023, at 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

(signed copy on file)

Christina Orlandi under supervision of Ryan Dew, Secretary