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Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Savannah Classical Academy, Inc.
February 15, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Savannah Classical Academy, Inc., was held at 4:30 pm, Wednesday, February 15, 2023, at 310 Commercial Drive, on notice duly given.

The board directors present were:

Scott McGhie
Ryan Dew
Terri O'Neil
Paul Sidney
Jennifer Davenport
Lenorris Williams
Rick Roney
Barry Lollis, School Director

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 4:44 pm.

Mr. McGhie called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and the Minutes from the January 10, 2023, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors. Mrs. Davenport moved to approve the motion. Mr. Williams seconded. Approved unanimously.

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

- An academic update noting the upcoming State Assessments beginning on April 18th, a detailed Progress Monitoring Report to be included in the March accountability review, and an initial review of the SCCPSS Charter Chevron Report to be circulated, once finalized, in April.
- An operations update including notices of the Charter Amendment inclusion on the Consent Agenda for the Georgia Department of Education's February Meeting, the completion of and findings from the electrical survey by Georgia Power, upcoming school tours scheduled for incoming and prospective families, a 2023-2023 Lottery update, and the initial new version rollout of the SCA website launching tomorrow with a second version rollout scheduled for the Summer.

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

- A notice of past and upcoming events including highlights from the Friends and Community Members tour organized with Ms. O’Neil and the SCA Foundation, the SCA Spring Musical "Newsies Jr." performances on May 7th-9th, the end of year 8th Grade trip to Washington D.C., the proposed end of year 6th and 7th Grade trips, Graduation scheduled for May 25th, and an update on the end of year Senior trip to Europe.
- Distribution of the proposed FY24 Employment Annual Contract and FY24 Employee Approval for Board approval. Mr. McGhie stated that the approval and review would be added under New Business.

Ms. O’Neil presented the SCA Foundation report, highlighting the success of the two most recent tours and the preparation for a \$5.3 million campaign kickoff. Ms. O’Neil stated that at the next SCA Foundation Board meeting, all fundraising materials will be approved in preparation to be presented in a Fundraising Campaign report at the next SCA Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors.

Mr. McGhie distributed the Financial Report through December 2022 on behalf of the Finance Committee for review and discussion. Mr. McGhie stated that the financials were consistent with expectations and highlighted areas of expected variances, which included facility repairs and maintenance. Mr. McGhie noted that the Finance Committee was in the process of preparing the Budget for review and approval by the Board. Mr. McGhie concluded with an update on the status of the tax exemption reimbursement.

Mr. Dew presented on behalf of the Governance Committee, stating that he will send out a link to the required online training. Mr. Dew reviewed the required hours of training and the plan for the Board to complete these requirements, which includes the March 4th Whole Board Training.

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

Mr. McGhie introduced the Revised Strategic Plan Discussion item under Old Business. Mr. McGhie asked Mr. Lollis to circulate a draft to the Board once available.

The proposed Employee Contract was distributed for review and discussion under New Business. A brief discussion ensued. Mr. McGhie called for a motion to adopt the SCA Employee Contract as presented. Mr. Williams moved to approve the motion. Mr. Dew seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mr. McGhie introduced the second item under New Business, FY24 Employee Positions, stating that the item will be discussed during Executive Session.

Mr. McGhie introduced the last item under New Business, Cash Reserve, stating that the financials reflect a healthy cash position. Mr. McGhie distributed an Estimated Cash Position report for discussion and review. Mr. McGhie reminded the Board of prior discussions of a potential reserve fund. Mr. McGhie asked the Board for input on the amount of such a reserve. The Board requested Mr. McGhie and Mr. Lollis formulate recommendations for presentation at the next Board Meeting.

Mr. Dew moved to enter Executive Session at 5:50 pm to discuss legal matters, personnel matters, and student matters. Ms. O’Neil seconded. Approved unanimously.

Mr. Sidney moved to leave closed session and resume open session at 6:12 pm; Ms. Davenport seconded. Approved unanimously.

There was no Public Comment.

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Savannah Classical Academy adjourned at 6:12 pm.

A regular meeting is scheduled for March 21st, 2023, at 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

(signed copy on file)

Christina Orlandi under supervision of Ryan Dew, Secretary