APPROVED

Savannah Classical Academy

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday October 14, 2025 at 4:30 PM

Location
705 E Anderson St, Savannah, GA 31401

Directors Present
Lenorris Williams, Paul Sidney, Rick Roney, Scott McGhie, Stephen Rilee (remote), Terri O'Neil

Directors Absent
Ryan Dew

Ex Officio Members Present
Barry Lollis

Non Voting Members Present
Barry Lollis

Guests Present
Christina Orlandi, Katherine Reid

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Scott McGhie called a meeting of the board of directors of Savannah Classical Academy to order on Tuesday Oct 14, 2025 at 4:33 PM.

B. Record Attendance & Quorum Present

C. Approve Agenda for October 14, 2025 Board Meeting

Terri O'Neil made a motion to Approve the Agenda as submitted.
Paul Sidney seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Approve Minutes from September 9, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

Rick Roney made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting on 09-09-25.
Stephen Rilee seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Mission & Vision

Scott McGhie read the mission and vision.

II. Reports

A. SCA Foundation

• Recap of financials including: current loan status, recent gifts and grants, and a pledge report distributed for review and discussion.
• Discussion of upcoming tours and potential pledges.
• Update on fundraising efforts: currently on hold until the launch of the marketing campaign.

B. CEO Report

Instruction:
• The Georgia Department of Education released the 2025 lists of Distinguished and Reward Schools: SCA is the only Distinguished school in our county; SCA is one of nine schools that have both designations across the state; SCA is the only charter school in the state with both Distinguished and Reward designations.
• Benchmark assessment administration this week.
• Savannah Magazine published The Best of Issue- SCA Voted Best Public School 2025
• Discussion of CCRPI.

Operations:
• HVAC engineering firm selected: Chatham Engineering Cost: $23,600.00
• ESPLOST process meeting scheduled with the county school system: October 28th, 2025

• October FTE Count 10/14/2025- Projected increase of funds.
• Current enrollment: October 2024 Enrollment: 423 (PK-12)
• 2025 Charter Authorizer Rating of SCCPSS discussed.

Review of upcoming events.

C. Finance Committee

Scott McGhie presented on behalf of the Board Committees stating that the annual audit is nearly complete. Recommendations and known findings will be available at the next Board meeting. Committee meetings to resume prior to the next meeting.

D. Governance Committee

E. Academic Committee

III. Unfinished Business

A. Approve CEO Annual Goals

Barry Lollis distributed for review and feedback. Discussion ensued. The Board agreed further discussion is required prior to approval.

IV. New Business

A. Committee Slate Approval

Scott McGhie outlined Committee goals and responsibilities. Discussion ensued.

Recommended Committee Slate:
Finance Committee: Scott McGhie (chair) and Stephen Rilee
Governance Committee: Ryan Dew (chair), Terri O'Neil, and Lenorris Williams
Academic Accountability Committee: Paul Sidney (chair) and Rick Roney

Terri O'Neil made a motion to approve the Committee Slate as presented in the Agenda.
Lenorris Williams seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
Additional discussions under New Business:
• Scott McGhie presented new Board member prospects to be on the November Agenda for discussion and approval. Discussion ensued.
• Strategic Plan review - item to be added to the Agenda moving forward.

V. Executive Session

A.

Legal Matters

Terri O'Neil made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 5:42 PM.
Lenorris Williams seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Personnel Matters

C. Student Matters

Lenorris Williams made a motion to return to open session at 6:00 PM.
Terri O'Neil seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ryan Dew

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING: Tuesday, November 11, 2025, 4:30 p.m. at Savannah Classical Academy, 705 East Anderson Street