

MEETING MINUTES

Name of Foundation: Cherokee Charter Academy, Inc.

Board Meeting: May 23, 2019

School(s): Cherokee Charter Academy

The minutes of Sunshine Law meetings need not be verbatim transcripts of the meeting. These minutes are a brief summary of the events of the meeting.

Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:
May 23, 2019	4:10 p.m.	5:22 p.m.	June 24, 2019	4 p.m.	Rita Weaver

Meeting Location:
2126 Sixes Road, Canton Georgia 30114

Attended by:	
Board Members: Danny Dukes, Chairman Nate Cochran, Vice Chairman Mary Jo Dukes, Director Dr. Bob Durham	Other Attendees: April Wallis, Principal, CCA Rita Weaver, Board Governance Manager, CSUSA Bonnie Hester, State Deputy Director Tamiaka McGibbon, Finance, CSUSA Rob Fortson, Board Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting commenced at 4:10 p.m. with a Call to Order by Board Chairman, Danny Dukes. Roll call was taken and quorum established.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

MOTION: Motion was made by Nate Cochran, Vice Chairman and seconded by Mary Jo Dukes, Director, to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2019 Cherokee Charter Academy Inc. board meeting. Motion was approved unanimously (4-0).

II. CSUSA REPORTS

- Principal, April Wallis, gave the board an update on the school which included 3 days of school left, 8th grade Washington DC field trip, and test results starting to come in. The board discussed enrollment for the FY20 school year as well as re-testing plans for the summer. All questions were answered by Principal Wallis.

III. FINANCIALS

- Tamieka McGibbon, Finance, CSUSA, presented the school's March financial results. The board discussed the Financial Framework Pro Forma. All questions were answered by Mrs. McGibbon. Chairman Dukes reported to the board that he has had discussions with the Governor's office regarding the possibility of the school's employees gaining access to the TRS Health benefits.

MOTION: Motion was made by Mary Jo Dukes, and seconded by Nate Cochran, to approve the financial report, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously (4-0).

- Tamieda McGibbon presented the Draft FY20 budget to the board. The board had the following comments on the budget:
 - i. Confirmation that the food service and before/after care participation rates are the current rates;
 - ii. Look into the \$30,000 security grant from the state that will allow the school to spend on cameras and other security improvements;
 - iii. According to the Chair the county is giving teachers a 2% cost of living increase in addition to the \$3,000. The board wanted to look at what the budget looks like if we add that in;
 - iv. Marketing presentation from Christine for 2019-20;
 - v. Confirm personal property tax as we have it flat and the board feels that it should be increased; and
 - vi. Lastly, the board is going to instruct the board attorney, Rob Fortson, to speak to CSUSA attorney as to the Board's perceived breach of contract as the management fee increase in the budget is beyond what the board feels is deserving based on performance. Rita Weaver advised the board that there was no performance clause in the management agreement and the management fee is solely based on revenues and that the management fee is still well below contractual rates and that historically the board has never paid a full management fee. The board still felt it was too high and wanted to revisit the fee.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- The board considered Debra Ashley Williams for board membership.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- Chairman Dukes wants the board to create committees and have committee reports during the board meetings. Mary Jo Dukes recommended parent Ms. Bailey for board membership consideration and Mr. Dukes will reach out to Ms. Bailey.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- There were no Public Comments

VII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion was made by Dr. Bob Durham, and seconded by Nate Cochran, to adjourn the Cherokee Charter Academy Inc. board meeting. Motion was approved unanimously.



Nate Cochran
Vice Chair and Secretary

Date: 4-3-2019

