

MEETING MINUTES

Name of Foundation: Cherokee Charter Academy, Inc.

School(s): Cherokee Charter Academy

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Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:
November 1, 2019	1041am	12;30pm	January 27, 2019	11am	Rita Weaver

Meeting Location:
2126 Sixes Road, Canton Georgia 30114

Attended by:	
Board Members: Danny Dukes, Chair Mary Jo Dukes, Director Quentin M. Thomas, Director Mitchell Crowe, Finance Rep. Dr. Bob Durham, Director Absent: Nate Cochran, Vice Chair	Other Attendees: April Wallis, Principal, CCA Lauren Greer, Board Attorney Tamieka McGibbons, Finance, CSUSA Bonnie Hester, Deputy State Director, GA Rita Weaver, Sr. Board Manager, CSUSA

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting previously scheduled on 10/28/19, rescheduled for 11/1/19 commenced at 10:41 a.m. with a Call to Order by Board Chair, Danny Dukes. Roll call was taken and quorum established.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

MOTION: Motion was made by Mary Jo Dukes, and seconded by Quentin Thomas to approve the minutes of the September 30, 2019 Cherokee Charter Academy Inc. meeting. Motion was approved unanimously. (5-0, 1 absent)

II. PRINCIPAL REPORT

- Principal Wallis updated the board on the fall i-Ready assessment results for both Math and ELA. As it was the first time using this assessment tool, Principal Wallis is using this as the baseline assessment and has targeted areas for improvement for the winter assessments. Principal Wallis discussed the process that the staff uses to review the data and implement strategies for increasing the scores.

- CCRPI results are in and the MS had a increase in points to 83 points however, the elementary grades had a decrease to 65. The school's overall points were 69.9.
- The SCSC had its annual site visit at the school had very minor findings. The SCSC will send written notification within a few weeks of the visit. Chair Dukes reviewed with the board that the SCSC held a webinar on the reworking of the Performance Framework for Financial Performance and outlined the upcoming changes and that he would get those changes to the Finance Team for incorporation into the pro forma.

III. Financials

MOTION: Motion was made by Mary Jo Dukes, and seconded by Dr. Bob Durham to amend the agenda to read FY210 Financial Audited Review. Motion was approved unanimously.

MOTION: Motion was made by Mary Jo Dukes and seconded by Quentin Thomas to amend the agenda to read August Financial Review.

FY19 Financial Audited Review

- Christopher McKellar of Mauldin Jenkins reviewed the FY19 Audited Financial results for Cherokee Charter Academy and reported out that the Firm is issuing an unmodified clean opinion, there were no findings, no disagreements with Management (CSUSA) and that there were no adjustments requested by the audit firm. There were some suggested improvements one of which was increasing Cyber Security. The board discussed the various ways that Cyber hacking has increased throughout the years.
- Mr. Mitch Crowe asked several questions regarding the adjustments. All questions were answered by Mr. McKellar.
- Chair Dukes asked Mr. McKellar to work with CSUSA to ensure that the monthly reporting is consistent with the audited financial results.

MOTION: Motion was made by Dr. Bob Durham and seconded by Mary Jo Dukes to accept the FY19 Financial Audited Review for Cherokee Charter Academy, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.

August Financial Review

- Tamiaka McGibbon reviewed the the August Financials with the board. The board had the following requests as deliverables from the CSUSA team: what is driving the 17% increase in healthcare; adjust the Impact GA costs and show as a receivable due from Coweta; confirm that the risk/property liability insurance costs are quarterly statements so as to ensure that the forecast is accurate; and reach out to the electricity provider to confirm usage year to year comparison, and determine why the electrical bills are coming in higher than last year. Mrs. McGibbon and Rita Weaver, Board Manager, will take those points as action items and report back to the board.

MOTION: Motion was made by Mary Jo Dukes and seconded by Dr. Bob Durham to accept the August Financial Review for Cherokee Charter Academy, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- Chair Dukes discussed the board's strategic planning session with CSUSA and listed out the following as deliverables from that meeting: 1) Meeting with the SCSC to determine the growth model in GA and determine if that model is consistent with the CSUSA model; 2) a renegotiated management agreement with a performance matrix built in; 3) high school strategic planning. Mrs. Weaver reported to the board that there has been movement in scheduling but that it has not occurred yet and would update the board accordingly.

V. NEW BUSINESS

Executive Session for Personnel Discussion

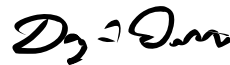
MOTION: Motion was made by Dr. Bob Durham and seconded by Mary Jo Dukes to adjourn the regular agenda meeting move into Executive Session for Personnel Discussion. Motion was approved unanimously.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- There were no Public Comments

VII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Chair Dukes adjourned the November 1, 2019, October 28, 2019 rescheduled Cherokee Charter Academy, Inc. board meeting.



Danny Dukes, Chairman

Date: 01/27/2010