

MEETING MINUTES

Board: Scintilla Charter Academy
Board Meeting: October 24, 2017

School: Scintilla 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:
October 24, 2017	5:59 PM	6:00 PM	November 14, 2017	6:00 PM	J. Denham

Meeting Location:
2171 East Park Ave., Valdosta, GA 31602

Attended by:	
Eric Tillman Jeremy Baker Jerry Jennett Garrett Copeland	Staff: Mandy Avera, Dean of Students & School Support Amanda Miller, Director of Academic Enhancement Jennifer Denham, Director of Communications Others: Kimberly Cannon, Valdosta Daily Times
Highlights:	

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting commenced at 6:00 P.M.

I. Administrative Functions

- **Approve Agenda for the October 24, 2017 meeting.**
Zachary Cowart presented the agenda for the October 14, 2017 meeting. Jeremy Baker made a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Enid Santana offered a second. The vote passed unanimously.
- **Approve Minutes from September 26, 2017 meeting.**
Zachary Cowart presented the minutes from the August 29th meeting. Jeremy Baker made a motion to approve the minutes from August 29, 2017. Jerry Jennett offered a second and the vote passed unanimously.

II. New Business

Board Training Policy– Mandy Avera explained that as part of our monitoring by the SCSC, the school is required to have a policy regarding board member training and the consequences should the board not attend training. A motion was made by Eric
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Tillman to accept the policy as presented. Jerry Jennett offered a second and the motion passed unanimously.

Suicide Prevention Policy – Mandy Avera explained that a suicide education and prevention policy is required. Jeremy Baker made the motion to accept the policy as presented and Enid Santana seconded the motion. The policy passed unanimously.

III. OLD BUSINESS

None

IV. FINANCIAL REPORT

The audit was completed and returned with no findings.

V. SCHOOL RELATED REPORT

Implementation Grant Update – Mandy Avera explained that we received the \$775,000 Implementation Grant from the state. The grant cannot be spent on salaries, facilities or operational costs but must be spent on the purchase of supplies, materials and equipment connected with initial implementation of the school's educational program, as well as professional development. A detailed line item budget was submitted with the grant application and administrative staff will participate in a training webinar that will then allow us to draw down funds.

Celebration of Learning Update – Amanda Miller explained that the Celebration of Learning was amazing with over 400 people in attendance. The scholars presented in their own words what they had learned over the last nine weeks. Our next COL will be December 11th.

Federal Programs Update – Title II and Title IV budgets were transferred to Title I and have been approved. The Title I budget will be approved once the free and reduced meal percentages are calculated for FY18. Due to SCA not participating in the National School Lunch Program in the Fall of FY17, FY18 data must be used for calculation as instructed by GADOE.

Mrs. Miller added that we held our annual Title I meeting on October 23 and have posted the meeting presentation on our website, shared with families via email and on our social media channels for parents, community members, and other stakeholders to view. The final revisions of the Family Engagement Policy and School-Parent Compact are now available online and in our front lobby.

Enrollment Update – Mrs. Avera stated that our enrollment is steady at 499.

VI. OPEN FORUM

No participation.

VI. NEXT MEETING DATE

November 14, 2017 at 6:00 pm in the SCA Media Center.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:08 pm. A motion to adjourn was made by Eric Tillman and seconded by Enid Santana. The motion passed unanimously.

Zachary Cowart, Board Chair

Date: _____