

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

**Date:** November 25th 2024

**Time:** 6:00 pm

**Location:** Science Classroom - Southeastern Academy Charter School

**Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 6:07pm Corey Walters

**Roll Call:** Corey Walters

Board members Present: Corey Walters, Adrian Lowery, April Oxendine, Brian Glotzbach, Misty Stone, Betsy Wilson, Brittany Waddell, James Vance

Others Present: Tanya Branch, Dr. Lewis Cox

Board Members Absent: Paru Patel

**Mission Statement:** Corey Walters

Southeastern Academy Charter School will maintain high expectations and promote excellence, especially in the fields of math and science for all students. The school, within its rural community, will foster a caring and creative learning environment. The school emphasizes the social, emotional, physical, and intellectual development of each child. This will be obtained through learning experiences that help children reach their greatest potential in order to function as independent learners in a diverse and ever-changing society.

**Vision Statement:** Corey Walters

A Diverse Family of Learners that Seek to Challenge the Whole Child Through Innovation.

**Approval of\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, Meeting Minutes:** Corey Walters

**(The October board meeting minutes were not discussed)**

**Finance & Repair(s):** Tanya Branch

* Tanya Branch passed out the monthly budget sheet for all the board members to review while she was presenting.
* Grant funding has been added and each grant was listed on the budget. Provided an overview of the grant expenditures.
* Provided overall explanation of the revenues.
* Hopefully before Christmas, will receive the bus.

**Committee Reports:**

1. **Finance Committee:** The Finance Committee met before the school board meeting and Adrian Lowery (Finance Chair) concurred with everything that Tanya Branch stated in the finance report.
2. **Policy Committee:**  Has not met.
3. **Education Committee:** Has not met.

**Principal’s Report**: Dr. Lewis Cox

* Metal detector has been installed.
* The School Resource Officer began last Friday and will be at the school for five hours a day.
* Will have someone to help with directing traffic and hopefully door monitoring system will be completed soon.
* December 9th after school during the staff meeting RHA will provide training for the staff.
* Math 1 Check-In, every child passed.
* No PowerSchool after July, will have new account, Infinite Campus Account.
* K-2 December 12th Winter Musical
* Check-In December 17th-20th 3rd-8th grade. (Parents will be notified about tests)
* After school clubs have ended.
* Summer School: May 27th -29th, Test dates, May 28th and May 30th
* NC State Superintendent sent letter for NC Academic Growth Award, 2023-2024. This is mentioned on the website.

Misty Stone motioned to approve summer school for May 27th-29th and test dates for May 28th and May 30th; seconded by Betsy Wilson. O abstain, O no, all in favor, motion carried.

**EC Attorney:**

Dr. Cox provided a letter to the school board to review from the EC lawyer. The school board asked several questions regarding the attorney for clarity. The school will have a Charter School Attorney and an EC Attorney.

Betsy Wilson motioned to retain EC Attorney Poyner Spruill LLC; seconded by James Vance. O abstain, 0 no, all in favor, motion carried.

The board stated they would like to see payment of what the attorneys have done and submitted to the Finance Committee.

**Public Comments Period**

Corey Walters read the public comment statement before comment was presented.

(Parent) Erin Prevatte presented her concerns regarding SeA. She provided a handout to the board to review.

Misty Stone motioned to move in to closed session at 6:29pm; seconded Adrian Lowery. 0 abstain, 0 no, all in favor, motion carried.

**The board returned to open session at 7:51pm.**

Misty Stone made a motion of intent to renew Dr. Cox’s contract; seconded James Vance. O abstain, 0 no, all in favor, motion carried.

The contract will be allowed to negotiate up until March 18th 2025.

**Adjournment**:

Corey Walters made a motion at 7:52pm to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Adrian Lowery.

0 abstain, 0 no, all in favor, motion carried.

**Next Board Meeting January 27th 2025- 6:00pm**