

South Carolina Governor's School for Science and Mathematics
Board of Trustees Meeting
Conference Call
June 15, 2017
Noon

Governing Board Members Present via Conference Call:

Dr. Leroy Davis, Chairman
Dr. Argentini Anderson
Dr. Carol Feghali-Bostwick
Mr. Hal Campbell
Dr. Randy Collins
Dr. Helen Doerpinghaus
Dr. Joe Griffin
Dr. Perry Halushka
Dr. Chris Przirembel
Mr. Jack Sanders
Mr. Lee Stogner
Mr. Art Tompkins
Ms. Carolyne Williams

Note:

Mr. John Barnes, joined at 3:01
Ms. Jasmine Drain, Legal Counsel, present via conference call

Staff Present via Conference Call:

Dr. Hector Flores
Mr. Ernie Boyd
Ms. Susan Coker
Mr. Danny Dorsel
Mr. Randy LaCross
Dr. Emilye Mobley
Mr. Jon Shannon
Dr. Ershela Sims

Item 1: Call to Order and Roll Call

Dr. Davis called the meeting to order at 12:03 pm. Roll was taken with a quorum present.

Item 2: Future Board Meetings

Dr. Davis reminded the Board of future Board meetings as follows:

Thursday	September 7, 2017	Hartsville	9:00 – Noon
Thursday	January 11, 2018	Hartsville	Noon – 3:00
Thursday	April 19, 2018	Columbia	Noon – 3:00
Thursday	June 14, 2018	Conference Call	Noon – 3:00

Item 3: Approval of the minutes of the April 6, 2017 meeting of the GSSM Board of Trustees

Dr. Davis asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2017 meeting of the GSSM Board of Trustees. Motion to approve by Ms. Williams, seconded by Dr. Halushka. Dr. Davis then asked if there were any questions or corrections to the minutes. Hearing none, the Board then voted unanimously to approve.

Item 4: Executive Session (Closed Session)

Dr. Davis asked for a motion to enter into Executive Session. Motion made by Mr. Campbell and seconded by Dr. Halushka. Dr. Davis stated that during Executive Session, the Board will discuss contractual and legal matters and report back upon the return to Open Session.

For Executive Session, Dr. Davis requested the attendance of all regular Board members, Mr. Ernie Boyd, and Ms. Jasmine Drain.

Return to Open Session

The Board returned to Open Session. Dr. Davis stated that during Executive Session, the Board discussed a contractual matter and a variety of other personnel-related matters. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

Dr. Davis then recognized Ms.Carolyn Williams, Executive Committee member, who stated the following:

Motion:

“At this time, on behalf of the Executive Committee, I make a motion to recommend the approval of the five –year comprehensive contract offered to Dr. Flores.”

Dr. Davis stated that with the motion coming from the Committee, a second is not required. Therefore, the Board will vote on the motion made by Ms. Williams on behalf of the Executive Committee.

Dr. Davis then requested a roll-call vote which resulted in a unanimous vote of approval by all Board members present. Dr. Davis stated to let the record show that the Board has unanimously approved the five-year contract for President Dr. Hector Flores.

Item 5: Facilities and Finance Committee Report

Mr. Tompkins, Finance Chair, called upon Mr. Ernie Boyd, GSSM VP Operations and CFO, to present the report. Mr. Boyd began by thanking all members of the Finance Committee for their hard work – Mr. Tompkins, Chair, Dr. Davis, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Campbell as incoming Board Chair, and Dr. Flores.

Presentations and discussion pertained to the following categories:

- 1) Current GSSM Budget Status 2016-2017 – Attachment A Documents.
Mr. Boyd presented an overview.

- 2) Proposed Start-of-Year (SOY) Plan A Budget for 2017-2018
The GSSM Foundation Allocation is incorporated into the School's annual Budget. Mr. Boyd presented an overview. Questions and discussion followed.

Action Item:

Motion:

Dr. Davis asked if there was a motion to accept the Staff's Recommendation to accept the 2017-2018 Foundation Allocation, Sections A and B.

Mr. Tompkins made a motion to accept the Staff's recommendation, seconded by Dr. Collins. Dr. Davis asked if there was any discussion. The Board then voted unanimously to approve.

Action Item: Approve School Budget for 2017-2018, Start of Year (SOY) A , Attachment B

Motion:

Approve SOY A Budget for 2017-2018, incorporating Foundation Allocation as authorized in previous motion.

Motion presented and approved by the Finance Committee – a second is not needed. Dr. Davis asked if there were any questions. The Board then voted unanimously to approve.

- 3) State Budget Request Priorities for 2018-2019
Mr. Boyd presented an overview. Questions and discussion followed.

Motion:

Dr. Davis asked for a motion to approve the school's 2018-2019 State Budget Priorities Request. Motion to approve by Mr. Tompkins, seconded by Mr. Stogner, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Item 6: Strategic Planning Update

Mr. Jon Shannon, GSSM Chief Information Officer and Co-Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee, began the update by thanking all Committee members. The Committee is in the process of reviewing recommendations from the task forces. Mr. Shannon presented an overview of several of these recommendations and stated that the June report was to advise the Board of the direction and types of recommendations that may be presented in the proposal at the September Board meeting. The process will continue and Mr. Shannon commended the work of the task forces as well.

Dr. Davis commended the work of all participants in the strategic planning process.

Item 7: President's Report

Dr. Flores' report included the following:

- International research opportunities
- Enrollment Management

Item 8: New Business

None

Item 9: Approval of the Consent Agenda

Dr. Davis asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion to approve by Ms. Williams, seconded by Dr. Halushka, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Dr. Davis thanked everyone for their participation. With his term of service expiring June 30, 2017, he continued by thanking everyone for their hard work this year and for the privilege of serving as Board Chair. He encouraged everyone to continue to make a difference and offered to help in any way in the future if needed.

Ms. Williams thanked Dr. Davis for his guidance, leadership, and ability to move forward. Dr. Flores thanked Dr. Davis personally and on behalf of the Leadership Team for his leadership and commitment to the school for many years.

Item 10: Adjourn

Dr. Davis declared the meeting adjourned at 3:05 pm.

Mr. Hal Campbell, Chairman beginning July 1, 2017
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