

STATE CHARTER SCHOOLS COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY

November 18, 2020, 10:00 a.m.

SCSC Board Room West Twin Tower, 5th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30334

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Attendees: Commissioners: Buzz Brockway - Acting Chairman; Jose Perez; Tom Lewis; Carmen Dill; and Dr. Lina Millan. SCSC Staff members: Lauren Holcomb – Executive Director; Morgan Felts – Chief Operations Officer; Cerrone Lockett – General Counsel; Sarah Beck – Associate General Counsel and Operational Accountability Manager; Darcy Callaway – Business Manager; Danielle Williams – Communications and Outreach Coordinator; Katie Manthey, Director of Research & Evaluation. Approximately 25 members of the public attended remotely.

- I. **Call to Order (Acting Chairman Buzz Brockway)**
 - The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m.
- II. **Approval of SCSC Meeting Minutes (Acting Chairman Buzz Brockway)**
 - The October 28, 2020 meeting minutes were approved by unanimous vote.
- III. **School Openings Update (SCSC Executive Director)**
 - The SCSC staff is staying updated on state charter schools reopening plans. There are 22 schools operating in-person and 15 are operating only virtually. Two schools temporarily transitioned to virtual instruction due to confirmed COVID-19 cases.
- IV. **Organizational Development (SCSC Executive Director)**
 - The SCSC held Governance Training on November 10, 2020. Additional SCSC trainings and the schedule for upcoming trainings were announced.
- V. **Financial Accountability Update (SCSC Chief Operations Officer)**
 - An update was given on school audits, which were due on November 1.
- VI. **Accountability Update (Director of Research & Evaluation)**
 - Current updates regarding the State Board of Education's Federal Assessment and Accountability Waiver status were provided.
 - A summary of 2019-2020 state charter school graduation rates was provided.
- VII. **Action Items**
 - **2021 Meeting Calendar (SCSC Executive Director)**
 - By unanimous vote, the SCSC approved the 2021 SCSC board meeting calendar.
 - **Northwest Classical Charter Academy (SCSC General Counsel)**
 - By unanimous vote, the SCSC approved the Northwest Classical Academy charter petition.
- VIII. **Additional Items from Commissioners**
- IX. **Public Comment**
- X. **Adjourn**
 - By unanimous vote, the SCSC adjourned the meeting at 11:01 a.m.