

# **STATE CHARTER SCHOOLS COMMISSION INTERVIEW PANEL MEETING**

**August 30, 2018, 9:00 a.m.**

**State Charter Schools Commission Conference Room  
East Twin Tower, Room 1470B, Atlanta, Georgia 30334**

## Meeting Minutes

1. The meeting convened at approximately 9:15am. The interview panel, consisted of Commissioner Tony Lowden and Clara Keith; Commission staff Terrance Washington, Katie Manthey, Gregg Stevens, Bonnie Holliday, Morgan Felts, Sarah Beck, and Kristen Easterbrook. Members of the public were also present.
2. The interview panel met with representatives of North Georgia Charter Academy. The interview panel questioned the proposed school's governing board to determine its capacity to implement its proposed educational program and its strategy to recruit and retain high quality board members and teachers, and its community support. The interview panel also questioned the school's governing board regarding its plan for obtaining a facility as well as its plans for transportation. The interview concluded at approximately 10:15 am.
3. At approximately 10:28 am the panel began with public comment. The panel heard from the Superintendent of Miller County, the Mayor of the city of Colquitt, and the Superintendent of Decatur County regarding the Spring Creek replication application. The interview panel then met with the governing board of Spring Creek Charter Academy. The governing board of the proposed state charter school provided a brief overview of the school's vision and plans for creating the new school. The interview panel then questioned the proposed school's governing board about their plans for marketing and community engagement to the broader community. The panel also questioned the school about its plans to recruit and retain teachers and the finances for the proposed school. The interview concluded at approximately 11:33 am.