

STATE CHARTER SCHOOLS COMMISSION INTERVIEW PANEL MEETING

July 18, 2017, 8:20 a.m.

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

Meeting Minutes

1. The meeting convened at approximately 8:20 am. The interview panel, consisting of Commissioner Hogg; Commission staff Bonnie Holliday, Gregg Stevens, Morgan Felts, Terence Washington and Laurin Vonada; Jacob Landry; Meca Mohammed; and Mike Dudgeon were present. Representatives of the Georgia Charter Schools Association and members of the public were also present.
2. The interview panel met with representatives of International Charter School of Georgia. The interview panel questioned the proposed school's governing board to determine its capacity to implement its proposed educational program, its community support, and its relation to an existing private school. The interview concluded at approximately 9:25 am. Interview panelist Laurin Vonada left the meeting.
3. At approximately 10:20 am the interview panel then met with the governing board of The Blended School. The governing board of the proposed state charter school The Blended School provided a brief overview of its school plan. The interview panel then questioned the proposed school's governing board to determine its capacity to operate as an LEA, the selection of its attendance zone, and partnerships that will assist the school in meeting its mission. The interview concluded at approximately 11:25 am. Interview panelists Commissioner Hogg, Meca Mohammed, and Mike Dudgeon left the meeting.
4. At approximately 1:25 pm, Commissioner Lowden, Tony Eitel, and Laurin Vonada joined the interview panel. The interview panel then met with the governing board of Masomo College Preparatory Academy. The governing board of the proposed state charter school Masomo College Preparatory Academy provided a brief overview of its school plan. The interview panel then questioned the proposed school's governing board to determine its capacity to operate as an LEA, the transition of governing board members to school staff and holding such staff accountable, and partnerships that will assist the school in meeting its mission. The interview concluded at approximately 2:40 pm.
5. The interview panel adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:45 pm.