

**State Charter Schools Commission of Georgia
Board and Policy Governance Retreat
October 9-10, 2013
UGA Hotel and Conference Center, Athens, Georgia**

Agenda and Outline

Wednesday, October 9, 2013

- 12:00 PM Arrive and Buffet Lunch (in Meeting Room)
- 1:00 PM Welcome and Opening Remarks
- *Bonnie Holliday, Executive Director, SCSC*
 - *Charles Knapp, SCSC Chair*
 - *Phil Boyle and Jim Stephens, CVIOG*
- 1:15 PM Vision and Values in Public Education for Policy and Governing Boards
- *Phil Boyle and Jim Stephens, CVIOG*
- 2:15 PM Break
- 2:30 PM Creating and Maintaining a High-Performing Governing Board: Roles, Responsibilities, and Relationships
- *Phil Boyle and Jim Stephens, CVIOG*
 - Expectations
 - Ground Rules and Operating Principles
- 3:45 PM Break
- 4:00 PM Creating and Maintaining a High-Performing Governing Board: Communication
- *Phil Boyle and Jim Stephens, CVIOG*
 - Board Communication
 - Constituent/External Communication
- 5:30 PM Questions/Discussion
- 6:00 PM Adjourn
- 7:00 PM Dinner

Thursday, October 10, 2013

- 8:00 AM Breakfast

- 8:30 AM Policy Issue Discussion: Process and Protocol
- 8:45 AM Issue I: Governance and Autonomy of State Charter Schools
- Introduction of issue and experts
 - *SCSC Staff* (0:10)
 - Preserving autonomy and accountability at the school level
 - *Presenter: Parker Baxter, NACSA* (0:10)
 - Enabling efficiency through charter network structures
 - *Presenter: Tom Pritchard, KIPP Schools* (0:10)
 - Questions, comments, and responses (0:30)
 - Discussion among commissioners and staff (1:00)
 - *Facilitators: Jim Stephens & Phil Boyle, CVIOG*
- 10:45 AM Break
- 11:00 AM Issue II: Open Enrollment and Mission Driven Schools
- Introduction of issue and experts
 - *SCSC Staff* (0:10)
 - Providing flexibility in open enrollment policies
 - *Presenter: Cathy Henson, Georgia State University* (0:10)
 - Maintaining true open enrollment for all state charters
 - *Presenter: Andrea Jolliffe, Partner, Hall Booth Smith, PC* (0:10)
 - Questions, comments, and responses (0:30)
 - Discussion among commissioners and staff (1:00)
 - *Facilitators: Jim Stephens & Phil Boyle, CVIOG*
- 1:00 PM Lunch
- 2:15 PM Issue III: Alternate Accountability Measures for Mission-Driven Schools
- Introduction of issue and experts – *SCSC Staff* (0:10)
 - Defining alternative student populations—a national perspective
 - *Presenter: Nelson Smith, NACSA* (0:10)
 - Academic accountability options for state charter schools in Georgia
 - *Presenter: Sam Rauschenberg, GOSA* (0:10)
 - Questions, comments, and responses (0:30)
 - Discussion among commissioners and staff (1:00)
 - *Facilitators: Jim Stephens & Phil Boyle, CVIOG*
- 4:15 PM Break
- 4:30 PM Where Do We Go from Here?
- Conclusions, Recommendations, Actions, and Next Steps
 - *Facilitators: Jim Stephens & Phil Boyle, CVIOG*
- 5:15 PM Concluding Remarks
- *Charles Knapp, SCSC Chair*
- 5:30 PM Adjourn