

## Limestone Charter Association Full Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 21, 2024, at 11:00 am

### Directors Present

Lee Sowell (Virtual)

Wendy Wells

Phyllis Pelzer (Virtual)

Bridgett Fowler

Sedric Webber (Virtual)

Brandi Hartman (on behalf of President)

### Directors Absent:

Michelle Combs

Nathan Copeland

Jeremy Whitaker

Bridgett Fowler called the meeting to order.

Ms. Fowler asked if public notice had been made of the meeting, Jackie Washington answered that it had. There was no public comment. Ms. Fowler read the mission statement.

The Limestone Charter Association Mission was stated on the agenda.

**Action:** Motion to adopt the agenda – all were in favor – Approved

**Action:** Motion to approve the minutes from August 15, 2024 -- Approved

**Superintendent Update:** Angel Malone

### School Highlights

Schools were recognized for both academic and athletic accomplishments. Banners and Awards were presented to each school.

- **Horse Creek Academy** – Volleyball Regional Champions, All -Regional Player & Coach of the Year awards, total team GPA is above 3.5
- **Mountain View Prep** – Football Region 3A Champions, Undefeated Regular Season, Volleyball Region 3A Runner-Up, Golf region 3A & State Champions, Multiple Individual Awards, Cheerleading Region 3A Runner-Up and Cross-Country Girls Team 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Finish
- **Oceanside Collegiate Academy** – State Champions Boys Volleyball and Girls Tennis, State Runner-Up Girls Swimming, Girls Volleyball, Individual Runner-Up Girls Tennis, Football Active in State Playoffs (2<sup>nd</sup> Round)
- SC School Report Card 2023-2024 Recognitions  
**Excellent Report Card Rating:** Atlantic Collegiate Academy, East Link Academy (Elementary), Orangeburg High School for Health Professions, Legion Collegiate Academy, Oceanside Collegiate Academy  
**Good Report Card Rating:** Coastal High School and East Link Academy (Middle)

Schools brought supplies to donate to local areas to help those family in need that were affected by the hurricane – we have a huge trailer that will be going to the up state as well as North Carolina.

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### **LCA District and Data Review**

Tabitha Taneyhill and Ashley Gibbons presented a detailed analysis of school report card data, including individual school performance across various metrics. They outlined plans for data-driven support for schools requiring assistance in improving their ratings, emphasizing a focus on school climate and culture as critical factors for success.

#### **• Support:**

- Ashleigh Gibbons has created dash boards for each school that brings it down to the subgroups and gives them any piece of data that school instructional team or leader can use to move instruction and make changes at their school level.
- Created a data analysis protocol based on years of experience and research on what works and what we need to do with the data.
- Help the schools do a deep dive into formative data and predictive data to see what they need to do now to change instruction.
- Meet with each school leader team in December and January.

### **School Authorization & Development – Donna Manning**

#### **Action: Charter/Contractual Amendments**

- Oceanside Collegiate Academy request early renewal of their charter contract for an additional 10 years, effective July 1, 2026. – Board Approved
- Harrisburg Global Academy requested delay of their opening to the 2026-2027 school year due to environmental concerns related to a brownfield site designated for the school. – Board Approved

### **New School Applications Review 2024**

Virtual Prep Academy submitted a LOI earlier this Summer for a fast-track application, they notified us on 11/13 that they will have to withdraw for fast-track only.

Donna gave an update on the upcoming application cycle, noting that we received 33 Letters of Intent (LOIs) for potential new charter schools. We have 25 unique groups that have submitted LOIs to us, out of the 25 some have put in for multiple locations. She highlighted the diverse focus areas of these prospective schools, including performing arts, classical education, STEAM/STEM, at-risk youth support, Drop Out Prevention, Language Immersion and various career and technical education (CTE) fields.

### **Finance**

Kelly Richardson presented the October financials and a proposed budget amendment reflecting the addition of two recently transferred schools.

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**Action:** Budget Revision 2024-2025 - The amended budget was approved by the Board.

**Audit & Form 990 Update:** Filed an extension for 990 until May, received a draft of audit, it was clean this year, there was a delay with some of the schools being audit.

Due to the State Department by December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Executive Session**

**Action:** Contractual Matter

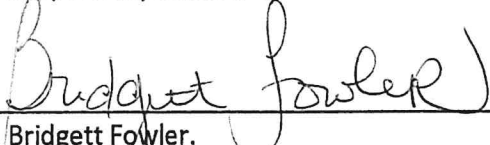
Superintendent's Performance Evaluation Reviewed, and contract renewed for three years as indicated:

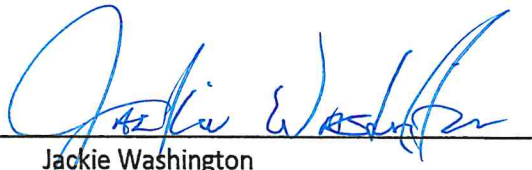
Wendy Well moved to approve a new contract for Superintendent Malone, effective July 1, 2025- June 30, 2028, which Sedric Webber seconded. The board unanimously approved the contract.

Sedric Webber moved to approve the bonus structure for Superintendent Malone beginning for the 2023-2024 academic year, which Lee Sowell seconded. The board unanimously approved.

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn at 1:24 pm --- Approved

Respectfully submitted,

  
Bridgett Fowler.  
Secretary to the Board of Directors  
Limestone Charter Association

  
Jackie Washington  
Office Manager  
Limestone Charter Association