## Limestone Charter Association Full Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 19, 2025, at 1:00 pm

**Directors Present (Virtual)** 

Wendy Wells Lee Sowell

Bridgett Fowler Sedric Webber

**Directors Absent:** 

Michelle Combs Nathan Copeland Phyllis Pelzer

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. Public comments were made by Mr. Josh Elkins. Ms. Fowler stated to Mr. Elkins that his comments were noted and he will receive a response within the next 7 business days.

Ms. Fowler read the mission statement. The Limestone Charter Association Mission was stated on the agenda.

Action: Adoption of the agenda for June 19th - all were in favor - Approved

Action: Motion to approve the minutes from May 28, 2025 - Approved

Superintendent Update: Angel Malone

- Angel gave an update on Atlantic Collegiate Academy graduation Mike Lorenz will no longer be principal of Atlantic Collegiate Academy, he will be moving on to a leadership role for Pinnacle Schools. Horse Creek Academy had their 2<sup>nd</sup> year of HS graduation. Oceanside Collegiate Academy celebrated their 10<sup>th</sup> year with the class of 2025, they were able to have scholarships in the amount of 10 million dollars, 132 students were Life Scholarships and 13 Palmetto Fellows, 100% of their students graduated.
- Member Schools Update
  - Angel gave an update on two schools that were under corrective action: SC Prep Academy and SC Leadership School. LCA concluded onsite Audits of both schools in May 2025, both schools will remain in corrective action, but have a workable plan for two specific areas to be concluded over the course of the next academic year: Student Records Management August 1, 2025, and Special Education December 31, 2025. Enrollment pause will be lifted for both schools accordingly: SC Leadership effective June 20, 2025, and SC Prep Academy effective October 2025 upon release of the school's state report card for the 2024-2025 academic year. Corrective action will remain active until all outstanding items are resolved.
- Action: Board Meeting Schedule 25-26
   Motion to approve 25-26 schedule all in favor Approved

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Action: LCA Leave Policy
 Motion to approve the Leave Policy – all in favor – Approved

## School Authorization & Development – Donna Manning

**Action:** Charter Contracts for Discovery Schools

They were previously approved for 6 locations, and they are in the process of finalizing the opening of Discovery Schools Myrtle Beach this August 2025 – other locations were Columbia, Nexton, RockHill, Simpsonville and Sumter

Motion: for the board to approve Discovery Schools locations in Columbia, Nexton, RockHill, Simpsonville and Sumter - Approved

Action: Charter Contract for Entrepreneur High School

They have satisfied all conditional items and submitted their management agreement, all documents are on file.

Motion to approve the contract for Entrepreneur High School - Approved

**Action:** Charter Contract for Morning Star Academy

They have satisfied all conditional items and submitted their management agreement, all documents are on file.

Motion to approve the contract for Morning Star Academy - Approved

Action: Charter Contract for Myrtle Beach STEAM Academy

They have satisfied all conditional items and submitted their management agreement, all documents are on file.

Motion to approve the contract for Myrtle Beach STEAM Academy - Approved

Action: Charter Contract for Palmetto Pathways Academy

They did not have any conditional items and are not working with a management company Motion to approve the contract for Palmetto Pathways Academy – Approved

Action: Charter Contract for SC Construction Academy

They have satisfied all conditional items and submitted their management agreement; all documents are on file.

Motion to approve the contract for SC Construction Academy - Approved

Action: Charter Contract for SC High School for Accelerated Learning
They have satisfied all conditional items and submitted their management agreement; all documents are on file.

Motion to approve the contracts for SC High School for Accelerated Learning multiple campuses; Charleston, Greenville, Horry, Richland and York – Approved

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#### Charter Dissolutions

### **AIM High (Potential Charter Dissolution)**

AlM requested a delay after their 1<sup>st</sup> year, so there are technical on their 2<sup>nd</sup> year. LCA has concerns that they will not meet enrollment to support the financial viability of the school. Within the last month the school has demonstrated a positive enrollment trajectory. AlM will be given a final opportunity to meet a minimum student enrollment, they must have at least 40 students fully enrolled in PowerSchool by July 15, 2025, if the enrollment benchmark is not met by the July 15<sup>th</sup> deadline the charter will be immediately dissolved, effective July 15, 2025, and closure procedures will begin.

Motion the Board recommend changing the deadline date to July 18th

Recommend dissolution if AIM does not meet their requirements by July 18, 2025 - Approved

## **Marshview Collegiate Academy**

LCA recommended the dissolution of the charter because of critically low student enrollment and has experienced delays in securing appropriate educational facilities.

Motion: to approve the dissolution of Marshview Collegiate Academy - Approved

### **Southern Collegiate Academy**

LCA recommended the dissolution of the charter because of critically low student enrollment and has experienced delays in securing appropriate educational facilities.

Motion: to approve the dissolution of Southern Collegiate Academy - Approved

Finance Update – Kelly Richardson
 Kelly discussed the May revenue expenditure report

Action: Operational Budget for 2025-2026

Motion: to approve the 25-26 operational budget as presented — Approved

Motion to go into Executive Session at 2:03 pm: Approved

**Executive Session** 

Action: No Action taken

Motion to approve Charter Bylaws — all in favor — Approved

Motion to come out of Executive Session at 2:16 pm: Approved

Adjournment - Motion to adjourn meeting --- Approved

Respectfully submitted,

Bridgett Fowler.

Secretary to the Board of Directors

Limestone Charter Association

Jacqueline Washington

Jackie Washington
Office Manager

Limestone Charter Association