

**Oglethorpe Charter School
Governing Board Meeting
Agenda
December 15, 2017**

Open Session

12:00 p.m.

Welcome

Sam Carter

Approval of Agenda

Approval of November Meeting Minutes

Financial Report

Lisa Grooms

Presidents Report

Sam Carter

Administrators Report

Kevin Wall

Other Business

Parent, Guest, Teacher, and Staff Comments

OGLETHORPE CHARTER SCHOOL

Governing Board Meeting November 17, 2017

Board Members Present: Sam Carter, Henry Perry, Lisa Grooms, Tim Costner, Dedra Andrews, Kathleen Fabrikant, Edward Jolley, Emad Afifi, Odessa Richards

Board Members Absent: Dana Braun, Patrick Dean, Jon Cohen

Principal Present: Kevin Wall

Open Session: Called to order at 12:00 pm by Sam Carter.

Agenda: Motion to approve agenda: Henry Perry
Motion to second: Kathleen Fabrikant

Approval of October meeting minutes:
Motion to approve: Henry Perry
Motion to second: Lisa Grooms

Financial Report: The monthly financial report through October, 2017 was presented by Lisa Grooms. Lisa Grooms presented the fiscal yearend audit report.

President's Report: Six Board members traveled to Atlanta November 15th, for a renewal application capacity interview as mandated by the Georgia Department of Education District Flexibility and Charter Schools Division. This panel interview lasted for one hour and consisted of questions related to the charter renewal petition. The board members were told the DOE will communicate with them in writing within a one week time period.

Mr. Carter suggested for the purpose of maintaining the diversity of the board, there will need to have a succession plan in place when current board members leave.

Mr. Carter explained it is imperative training hours be adhered to by all board members. Mr. Wall has arranged for Elisa Falco of the Georgia Charter School Association to be here November 30th to provide any final training if necessary.

Principal's Report: Congratulations to Kylan Campbell, who has been selected to represent Oglethorpe Charter School as the November Student of the Month. The Student Council is conducting their annual canned food drive. To improve reading and writing across the curriculum, Oglethorpe Charter School has chosen the book "Wonder" as our school wide novel this year for the entire school to read. This is a school wide initiative to push reading and writing literacy. Several Titan Time Friday afternoon activities have been planned for the entire student body. After reading the book, our goal is to take all the students to see the movie. We have instituted 22 Saturday Schools this year and added additional tutorial days this year for both remediation and acceleration purposes. Whether it may be reading on grade level or taking high school math classes, some students just need more time to grasp concepts. We want to continue to send Oglethorpe students overly prepared for high school. Our theatre students did an outstanding job performing the play "Into the Woods" November 9th and 10th. Thank you to Melissa Wood and Brittney Woods for directing this outstanding performance. The

OCS volleyball team ended their season as City Champions. Congratulations to the players, and coaches Erica Benjamin and Susan Carlile. The Titan marching band represented Oglethorpe in the annual Veterans Day Parade in downtown Savannah. There will be a parent meeting November 28th at 6pm in the OCS theatre to discuss the possibility of expanding to a high school. The event will be hosted by Board Vice President, Henry Perry and consultant, Russ Moore.

Committee Reports

Governance and Bylaws: Chair, Dana Braun with members Ed Jolley and Henry Perry - none.

Personnel Committee: Chair, Jon Cohen with members Lisa Grooms and Emad Afifi - none.

Nomination Committee: Chair, Tim Costner with members Henry Perry and Kathleen Fabrikant – none.

Academic Committee: Chair, Kathleen Fabrikant with members Dedra Andrews, Patrick Dean, Kevin Wall, Sean Mulvanity, Monica Roland, and Kerry Crain - none.

Closed Session: The Board entered closed session at 1:10pm. The Board entered open session at 1:20pm.

Other Business: The possible expulsion appeal hearing was resolved prior to this meeting.

Parent, Guest, Teacher, and Staff Comments: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:27 pm. The next Board meeting is scheduled to be held December 15, 2017 at 12pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cathy Vogel
Oglethorpe Charter School