

**Oglethorpe Charter School
Governing Board Meeting
Agenda
February 24, 2020**

Open Session	5:00 p.m.
1. Welcome	Lisa Reavis
2. Approve Agenda	
3. Approval of January Meeting Minutes	
4. Financial Report	Howard Hickey
5. Presidents Report	Lisa Reavis
6. Administrators Report	Kevin Wall
7. Closed Session	New Hire

OGLETHORPE CHARTER SCHOOL

**Governing Board Meeting
January 27, 2020**

Board Members Present: Lisa Reavis, Patrick Dean, Howard Hickey, Jon Cohen, Mary Wells, Chris Hintz, Dawn Deppen, Katie Balthrop, Jonathan Brown, Matt Dowling

Board Members Absent: None

Principal Present: Kevin Wall

Others Present: None

Open Session: Called to order at 5:00 pm Lisa Reavis

Agenda: Motion to approve agenda: Dawn Deppen
Motion to second: Howard Hickey
Motion unanimously passed

Approval of October meeting minutes:
Motion to approve: Dawn Deppen
Motion to second: Katie Balthrop
Motion unanimously passed

Financial Report: The monthly financial report through December 31, 2019 was presented by Howard Hickey.

President's Report: None.

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Committee Reports

Governance and Accountability: Chair, Patrick Dean with Jon Cohen – none.

Nomination Committee: Chair, Jon Cohen - none

Academic Committee: Chair, Rebecca Wells with Chris Hintz - none

Other Business: None.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 pm.

The next scheduled meeting is February 24, 2020 at 5pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cathy Vogel
Oglethorpe Charter School

To: OCS Governing Board
From: Kevin Wall
Date: February 24, 2020

Mark Case: Mr. Case is hosting a fundraiser for the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network. "The Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (PanCAN) is dedicated to fighting the world's toughest cancer. In our urgent mission to save lives, we attack pancreatic cancer on all fronts: research, clinical initiatives, patient services, and advocacy. We are determined to improve patient outcomes today and to double survival."
(<http://www.pancan.org/about-us/>)

He has chosen this cause very pragmatically. As it happens, Mr. Case was diagnosed with Stage 4 Pancreatic Cancer in late October. He has already raised \$4,500 on Facebook, but his goal is to raise a total of \$10,000 before the end of the school year. By helping his cause, you are helping all pancreatic cancer patients' chances of survival.

To donate, go to: bit.ly/CaseAgainstCancer

Back Story: Mr. Case is one of the founders of Oglethorpe Charter School. He is one of three founders that has worked at Oglethorpe Charter School from the opening of the school in 1999 to our present day. Mark has worn many hats at Oglethorpe over the years. He started our technology program when we were housed in the old school building. During that time frame, we had not started the splitting of the math classes yet, and Mr. Case was a part of the 8th grade teaching team. Mr. Case is passionate about many things. He is spiritually sound, and he will mention something positive about his family every day. In the 14 years that I have worked with Mr. Case, he speaks about Paige (wife), Chandler & Allen (daughters) to me as well as his co-workers on a daily basis. Mark is passionate about Oglethorpe Charter School. He has had many opportunities to go to other schools but has chosen to remain loyal to Oglethorpe Charter School. His desire is to make every program and every student at Oglethorpe Charter School better. Mr. Case has been very passionate about the athletic program at Oglethorpe Charter School. During his tenure as the OCS Athletic Director, Oglethorpe Charter School won 19 City Championships in a 5 year period. Mr. Case started the Future Business Leaders of America program at Oglethorpe Charter School and grew the membership to well over 100 students in two years. Prior to Mr. Case taking his current Guidance Counseling position at OCS, he was a top 3 finalist in the school system for teacher of the year. Mr. Case was instrumental in helping Oglethorpe Charter School receive a 5 Star Climate rating by the Department of Education last and also this year by leading our PBIS initiative. The most popular RA activity that we do at Oglethorpe was created by Mr. Case (Grill and Chill). We have many alumni that come back to visit us every year. The number one person in the building that they ask to see is Mr. Case. Mr. Case started our Homecoming tradition at Oglethorpe Charter School. I know that I am not alone when I say that Mr. Case is not only one of the most intelligent

and passionate educators in this building, but he has a tremendous sense of humor. He would have been a perfect addition on Saturday Night Live with John Belushi and Chris Farley back in the day. Despite the seriousness of the diagnosis that Mr. Case has been given, he has not lost his sense of humor or his passion for Oglethorpe Charter School. He is here every day working hard and making a huge difference in our school.

Congratulations Abhishek Parikh: Abhishek has been selected to represent Oglethorpe Charter School as the February Student of the Month. Abhishek is currently taking two classes as an 8th grader for high school credit (9th Math & 9th Science). He is a member of the BETA club and a former member of the FBLA club. Abhishek competes on many of the academic teams at OCS (Academic Bowl Team, Math Bowl Team and Model United Nations Team). Abhishek would like to attend Jenkins High School. He would like to be an engineer one day and hopes to get into the engineering specialty program at Jenkins High School. Abhishek has not nailed down a favorite potential college that he would like to attend, but he does know that he would like to one day work in the engineering or computer science field. During his free time, Abhishek enjoys playing video games, reading and playing soccer. Abhishek is inspired by his parents because of their strong work ethic. **Great Kid!!!**

Fall Semester Top Student Awards: The Fall semester academic awards ceremony was held on January 29th in the OCS Theatre. We all would like to say a special thank you to Mr. Brown for a new and improved format in helping to recognize our outstanding OCS students. The following students were recognized by their respective teaching teams:

6th Grade Looping:

Top Student Math Alpha & ELA (Maria Jose Videa), Top Student Math Delta (Laila Limar), Top Student Science, Reading & ELA (James Youmans), Top Student SS (Payton Gromoshak), Top Student SS (Hailey Hayden), Top Student SS (Talaisha Ruth), Most Improved (Ailiyah Ruth, Ah'Breya Phillips, Amy Martin, Juan Rodriguez, Saul Castillo & Jaeden Dunn), Top Character (Talaisha Jackson, Elise Bryant, Aaralynn Lance, Devonte Thompson & Maribel Monjarez).

6th Grade Traditional:

Top Student Math Alpha, Science, & SS (Vir Derola), Top Student Math Delta & SS (Autum Gizzard), Top Student ELA (Ayanna Williams), Top Student Reading (Emmalee Brinson), Top Student Reading (Marcus Monroe), Most Improved (Anthony Puc, Jasarah Ancrum, Bryson Parker, Robert Camford, Takiyah Jackson, Dextasia Washington, Ra'Shawnda Wolfolk, Ayanna Williams, Yoel Flores, Sabrina Imus, Ayanna Jackson and Diego Pullins).

7th Grade:

Top Student Math Alpha & SS (Carson Kurdys), Top Student Math Delta (Ishika Patel), Top Student Science (Liam McDaniels), Top Student Science (Anna Friedman), Top Student Science (Livette Tatsinkou), Top Student Science (Partha Patel), Top Student Reading (Joshua Burns), Top Student SS (Aama Patel), Top Student SS (Jackson Smith), Most Improved (Isabella Lora, Keith McDuffy, Ryder Delaney, Gianna Brown,

Ella Cheeks and Hannah Dawson), Top Character (Ishika Patel, Carson Kurdys, Stuart Barnes, Gael Diaz, Anna Friedman, and Partha Patel)

8th Grade:

Top Student Math Alpha & Reading (Kyra Bradshaw), Top Student Math Delta & Physical Science (Terrence Williams), Top Student Algebra 1 (Bashiah McNutt), Top Student Algebra 1, SS, 9th Comp Lit, & 9th Science (Shradhdha Srikanth), Top Student ELA & Physical Science (Alanis Hernandez), Top Student 9th Grade Comp Lit (Santoria Minson), Most Improved (Joey Bell, Miranda Cole, Joshua Core, Calvin Guitreau, Chayse Jenkins, and Saadiyah Williams), Top Character (Taraji Baker, Kyra Bradshaw, Walker Burkett, Bre'a Cooper, Gabriel Hintz, Natalia Morales, and Bashiah McNutt)

Principals Award: Shradhdha Srikanth

Assistant Principal Award: Camille Fryson

Director of Instruction Award: Carson Kurdys

Students that earned first Semester High Honor Roll and Honor Roll will be recognized in Notes next week.

Parent School Climate Survey Reminder: Parents play a key role in gathering data for the yearly school climate rating. Please take the time to complete the following survey about Oglethorpe Charter School at the following link:

Georgia Parent Survey

Anonymous survey for all parents/guardians

Parent Survey Link: <http://gshs.gadoe.org/parents>

HIGH HONOR ROLL

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High Honor Roll Criteria: The following students had an average of 95 with no grade below 80 during the first semester:

Vir Derola
Maria Jose Videa
Faith Adeniyi
Carson Kurdys
Liam McDaniel
Pratha Patel
Shradhdha Srikanth

Autum Gizzard
Emmalee Brinson
Stuart Barnes
Malia Lewis
Aarna Patel
Jackson Smith

Limar Laila
Ayanna Williams
Anna Friedman
Sriharsha Mallepoola
Ishika Patel
Ryland Summers

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Honor Roll Criteria: The following students had an Average of 90 with no grade below 80 during the first semester:

Alysson Antunez
Kenneth Clark
Joseph Hicks
Crystal Johnson
Danniyia Lewis
Donavan Ricks
DaVonte' Thompson
Sabrea Wright
Jeremiah Brown
Ny'Asia Butler
Malachi Chestnut
Jasmine Coleman
Kelcyee Frazier
Nalanti Green
Carter Heyward
Madison Jones
Nyanduk Malwal
Akeria Pridgen
Livette Tatsinkou
Shaniya Zeigler
Kyra Bradshaw
Ta' Mya Campbell
Mia Heyward
Bashiah McNutt
Teixera
Nia Wilkerson

Ashlyn Bowers
Pedro Gomez
Sabrina Imus
Amelia Keldie
Diana Morales-Murrieta
Caisyn Simpson
Paul Valdes
Hugo Abad-Tiache
Joshua Burns
Jack Candline
Kristin Clark
Esau Cornelio
Madison Frazier
Abigail Griffin
Hayden Huddleston
Malia Lewis
Zoe Middleton
Azusena De La Paz
Ka'Nylah Walker
John Balthrop
Leandra Brown
Breanna Harley
Jayce Huerta
Makayla Mikell
Carmora Thomas
Terence Williams

Hannah Brown
Payton Grimoshek
Talaishia Jackson
Victoria Kennedy-Thorpe
Serenity Mustipher
Laura Sims
Alia Wilson
Eva Aguilar
Modesty Benton De-Jesus
Ella Cheeks
Macy Cole
Ashley Edwards
Vendredi Godfrey
Kenneth Harlin
Madison Hymon
Ghaidaa Lutfi
Phaelan Pearson
Sendaius Robinson
Antoine Youmans
Ja'Mya Bedgood
Ny'Asia Butler
Alanis Hernandez
Rebekah James
Cameron Straughter
Joshua
Raina Thomas
Ben Wright

Congratulation Science Bowl Team: The OCS Science Bowl Team pictured below placed 3rd out of 14 teams at the annual Georgia Science Bowl on Saturday, February 1st.



Black History Month: Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by African Americans and a time for recognizing the central role of blacks in U.S. history. The event grew out of “Negro History Week,” the brainchild of noted historian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African Americans.

Wax Museum: On Friday, February 7th, the 6th grade looping team recognized significant figures in African American History. This continues to be one of the most impressive events that we hold at Oglethorpe Charter School on many levels. We offer many opportunities for students to get involved at Oglethorpe. We had over 100 students participating in fall athletics this year. Our band, chorus, and orchestra have large numbers participating. Our leadership clubs are large in number and our academic and robotics clubs are another venue for students to get involved. With that being said, our Wax Museum night where 100% of an entire class of students display and present their work continues to be our most attended event at Oglethorpe Charter School. Not only did the entire class of 150 students do this, we had 100% attendance by their parents, and we had many grandparents, aunts, uncles, siblings and cousins in attendance. The Wax Museum is an authentic learning event that covers academic standards across the curriculum. Nicole Dillon spearheads this effort through her ELA class. She had some good help from her teaching team members (Beth Jones, Tracy Castillo, Darrius Jackson, Banecia Baker, Jennifer Williams, and Susan Carlile). Mrs.

Dillon would also like to offer special thanks to the following people Mrs. Heard, teachers and staff who attended the event, Mr. Rivers, Dr. Branch, Ms. Mrs. Luciano, Eric Allen, Ms. Cathy Vogel, Ms. Page, Raven Davis, Dr. Meyer, and Mr. Vogel.

What is a Wax Museum: The 6th grade students were given significant names in African American History to research and to also make a visual representation of their figure and all of their accomplishments. All 150 students then had to develop an oral presentation about their historical figure. The students were also asked to dress in character and be present from 5:00 – 7:00 for presentations. The students all did an academy award winning performance!!! The one thing that stood out in the event was that every adult had a perpetual smile on their face. Great job Students and Teachers! Thank you 6th grade looping parents for your support and attendance!

Black History Assembly: Please plan to attend the Black History Assembly that will be held in the OCY Gym on February 25th at 1:40 pm.

Geography Bee: The following students participated in the top 10 round of the annual Geography Bee on Thursday, February 6th:

Hannah Brown	Jack Candline	Payton Gromoshak
Joseph Hicks	Aujshawn Izzard	Liam McDaniel
Jackson Smith	Shradhdha Srikanth	Ayanna Williams
Ben Wright		

Geography Bee Alternates: The following students also performed at high levels in the Geography Bee:

Anthony Colman	Christopher Cruz-Bonilla	Amelia Keldie
Aeson Pence	Jamir Stafford	

Geography Bee Winners: The following students came out on top after the competition:

First place: Jack Smith
Runner up: Shradhdha Srikanth
Third Place: Liam McDaniel

Jack Smith will now take the qualifying test to determine if he will be in the top 50 students to represent the State of Georgia at the next level. **Congratulations Jack Smith!**

Coca-Cola: Our PTO will begin its annual Coca-Cola fundraiser Wednesday, February 27th, and it will run for two weeks. Order forms will be sent home with your student. Please support this effort, as the proceeds of this fundraiser will be spent directly on our students only.

DEEP YOUNG AUTHOR PROJECT AT OCS

Deep Center's mission is to empower Savannah's young people to thrive as learners, community leaders, and agents of change. Through creative writing, cultural production, and art, Deep creates platforms for the city's youth and the village of support around them, including their families and adult allies, to share stories, engage in debates, and make Savannah a more just and equitable place.

The following students participated in the Deep Young Author Project during the Fall 2019 Semester and are now published authors:

Ayanna Chance	Hannah Dawson	Anna Friedman
Mason Macmillan	Maribel Monjaraz	Emily Price
Livette Tatsinkou	Melissa Wiggins	

Chloe Hall - Read at Deep Speaks, Finalist for Deep Laureate
Pratha Patel - Read at Deep Speaks

Deep Speaks was held on February 16, 2020 at the Yamacraw Performing Arts Center where Pratha Patel and Chloe Hall read one of their writing pieces. Chloe Hall was also honored as a finalist for the Fall 2019 Deep Laureate. A copy of the book will be made available for viewing in the media center.

The Spring 2020 workshops for the Deep Young Author Project are underway. The following students are currently participating in the workshops:

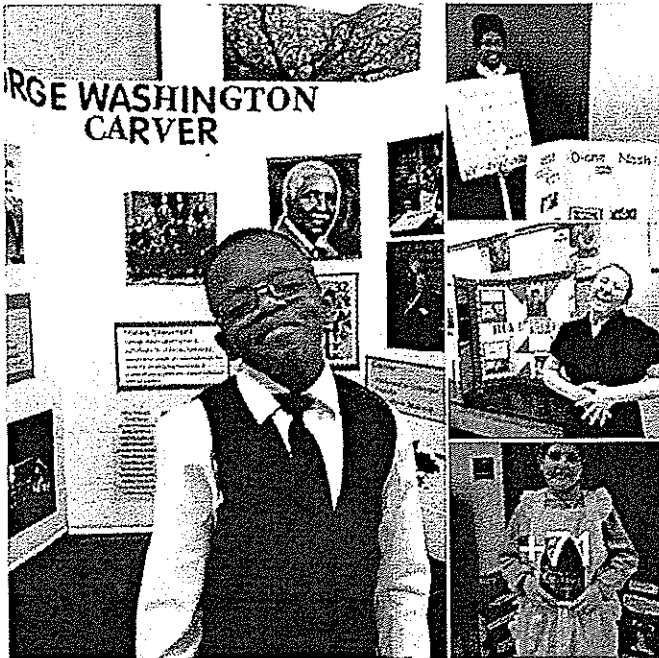
Shiloh Cintron	Kiana Griffin	Parris Harmon
Sabrina Imus	Amelia Keldie	Saiiya King
Bashiah McNutt	Maribel Monjaraz	Krisha Patel
Zion Stokes	Carmora Thomas	Raina Thomas
Alia Wilson		

Monica Roland the Deep Program Facilitator at Oglethorpe Charter School this year. She has some amazing young writers to work with.

OCS Facebook: The OCS Facebook page and website is maintained by Deborah Lindblad. The below has been one of more popular posts:

OCS Oglethorpe Charter School (Official)
 Published by Debbie B. Lindblad · February 11 at 11:29 AM

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