

THE CHARTER INSTITUTE AT ERSKINE, INC.
BOARD MEETING
January 16, 2018

The board meeting of the Charter Institute at Erskine was held in the Chesnut Room on the Erskine College campus at 2:30 p.m. President Rob Gustafson called the meeting to order. The following board members were present: Dr. John Basie, Mrs. Marjorie (Beth) Gustafson and Dr. Gustafson. Mr. Stu Rodman and Mr. Martin O'Connor attended via phone. Mr. Cameron Runyan, Chief Executive Officer of the Erskine Charter Institute, Mr. Vamshi Rudrapati, Director of the Erskine Charter Institute, Mrs. Dena Hodge, Clerk, and Mr. James Gaylean also attended the meeting. A quorum was declared.

Dr. Gustafson opened in prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was adopted to approve the agenda.

Motion was adopted to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2017 meeting.

Motion was adopted to approve moving into Executive Session.

The meeting reconvened in the Chesnut Room.

James Gaylean summarized the Settlement and Release Agreement with the South Carolina Public Charter School District. The agreement provides for termination with the State Charter School District and a school's resumption with the Charter Institute at Erskine. Erskine and the District have agreed that no additional transfer applications will take place for the next school year. This is due to the substantial number of applications that have been received.

Action Item

Motion was adopted to accept the Settlement and Release Agreement contingent upon the action of the State Charter School District's approval of the agreement at a later date.

New School Presentations

Virtus Academy of South Carolina, Mrs. Renee Mathews, presenter, introduced Mr. Bill Pickle, Chairman of the Virtus Academy Planning Committee, and Mr. Carlos Washington, a founding member of the Planning Committee. A power point presentation was viewed. Mr. Vamshi Rudrapati reported that Dr. Karen Wicks approved the charter application with reservation. Dr. Wayne Brazell approved the charter application. The staff recommendation is to approve the charter recommendation.

Motion was adopted to follow the recommendation of the staff and approve the application of the Virtus Academy of South Carolina. A photograph was made with the school's representatives and the Board.

Stu Rodman left the meeting during the vote. Mr. Rodman returned to the meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled on January 30, 2018, in the Founders Room at Moffatt Dining Hall.

There were no public comments.

Motion was adopted to adjourn.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dena S. Hodge".

Dena S. Hodge
Clerk