

# Southeastern Charter School

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Tuesday, March 21, 2023

**Time:** 6:00 pm

**Location:** Science Classroom - Southeastern Academy Charter School

**Call to order:** Meeting called to order at 6:04 pm Shelley Foil

**Roll Call:** Shelley Foil

Board Members Present: Shelley Foil, Paru Patel, Scott McLean, Misty Stone, Tami George, Tanner Smith, Paul Bass,

Others Present: Tanya Branch, Kristen Stone

Board Members Absent: Angelica Chavis-McIntyre, Adrian Lowrey

**Mission Statement:** Shelley Foil

Southeastern Academy Charter School will maintain high expectations and promote excellence, especially in the fields of math and science for all students. The school, within its rural community, will foster a caring and creative learning environment. The school emphasizes the social, emotional, physical, and intellectual development of each child. This will be obtained through learning experiences that help children reach their greatest potential in order to function as independent learners in a diverse and ever-changing society.

**Vision Statement:** Shelley Foil

A Diverse Family of Learners that Seek to Challenge the Whole Child Through Innovation.

**Approval of January 24, 2023, Meeting Minutes:** Shelley Foil

No changes/edits to minutes noted. *MOTION:* Tanner Smith made a motion to approve the January minutes as presented. Paru Patel seconded the motion. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

**Parent Comment:**

SeA statement of public comment read by Shelley Foil. Parent brought concerns forward in regard to male/female gender ration; concerned with social growth and development because the parent feels there are more males in the school than females. Kristen Stone and Shelley Foil explained the process of how the lottery works and that gender questions are not part of the lottery. Kristen Stone is to check with the state to see if the gender option can be added to the lottery questionnaire. Parent was also concerned with the gender ratio about bullying in the classroom; Kristen Stone will follow up with the teacher(s) in regard to this and report back to the SeA Board.

**Eagle Scout Project:**

Evan Blackley presented the idea of building 4 picnic tables for his Eagle Scout Project. Students/staff/teachers will be able to utilize these. The project would cost \$500 with SeA providing \$250. MOTION: Tanner Smith made a motion to approve the Eagle Scout project as presented. Scott McLean seconded the motion. All members were in favor. Motion carried.

**Updates:**

1. *2023-2024 SeA Board Members:* Shelley Foil sent out an email to all current SeA Board members to see who is willing to continue to serve for the 2023-2024 year. Shelley Foil and Tami George will not be serving in the 2023-2024 year. Shelley Foil requested for Board members to bring all nominations forward at the next meeting to replace the two current members that will be resigning.
2. *Principal Search:* The job description for the SeA principal has been updated. It was recommended to replace the yearly evaluation with the current job description. Shelley Foil has begun recruitment for the principal search committee; ideally having 3 parents/4 staff/4 SeA Board members. The job opening has been posted on several social media sites for advertising purposes. The next steps are to meet with the search committee to review applications.

**Committee Reports:**

*FINANCE* – No report

*POLICY*— No report

*EDUCATION* — No report

**Principal’s Report:**

Kristen Stone

1. *Lottery 2023* – The lottery will open on 3/31/2023. The lottery drawing will take place on 4/5/2023 in the SeA’s gymnasium with Sheriff Burnis Wilkins leading the drawing.
2. *Benchmarks* – Not much to report as the benchmarks are occurring tomorrow through Friday. The education committee meets after these occur and the results are in.
3. *2023-2024 School Calendar* – The new calendar was presented with 177 official days for students and 181 days for teachers. MOTION: Paru Patel made a motion to approve the 2023-2024 SeA School Calendar as presented. Tanner Smith seconded the motion. All members were in favor. Motion carried.
4. *Resource Class* – With Spanish being removed as a resource class the SeA Board tasked Kristen Stone with how the school could replace this with music. Kristen Stone reported that music was written into the original charter so no additional approval is needed.

Kristen Stone to notify parents of the change from Spanish to music with this change occurring August 2023 for grades K – 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Finance & Repair(s):**

Tanya Branch

The Board reviewed the finances through February with no deficits. All federal funding is now in (060 funds). For repairs, there is a water issue in front of the café area.

**Adjournment:**

*MOTION* was made at 7:01pm by Tanner Smith to adjourn the meeting with a second by Scott McLean; The motion passed unanimously. The SeA Board meeting was adjourned at 7:01pm by Shelley Foil. The next meeting will be held on April 25, 2023 at 6:00pm.