

## MEETING AGENDA & NOTES

Present	Brooke Archenhold
	Berra Byrd
	Chasity Gonzalez
	Cathy Griffith
	Andrea Hyman
	Daniel Lumm
	Brian McKay
	Brian Morrison
	Laura Raby
	Kyle Snipes
	Rob Venable
	Stacey Wilson
David Wooten	
Absent	Corey Shick
	Lienne Medford

# MEETING NOTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm. Due to inclement weather, the meeting was conducted virtually.

### MOTION: APPROVE AGENDA

- Chasity Gonzalez made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
- The motion was seconded by Stacey Wilson.
- All were in favor, and the agenda was approved.

### MOTION: APPROVE DECEMBER 2023 MEETING MINUTES

- Chasity Gonzalez made a motion to approve the December 2023 board meeting minutes as presented.
- The motion was seconded by Laura Raby.
- All were in favor, and the minutes were approved.

### REPORTS

- David Wooten, Principal's report
  - Mr. Wooten noted that the Langston Charter Middle School ("LCMS") Board election would be taking place in the spring and provided an election timeline for current board members to review. The following board members' terms are ending at the end of this school year: Berra Byrd, Brooke Archenhold, Cathy Griffith, Daniel Lumm, Lienne Medford, Brian Morrison, and Corey Shick. The steps involved in the election process are determined by the LCMS Bylaws. More information will be provided to parents in a forthcoming Langston Bulletin email. An information meeting will be hosted immediately before the February 2024 LCMS Board meeting. A self-nomination period will

begin soon after and run through March 14. The election will be held in late April. Brian McKay requested that board members who are up for reelection notify him if they are interested in continuing to serve.

- Greenville County Schools (“GCS”) released its calendar for the 2024-25 school year, with August 8, 2024 being the first day. The LCMS Bylaws indicate that LCMS will follow the GCS calendar.
  - LCMS school personnel will soon begin hosting intake conferences for incoming students and their parents.
  - Mr. Wooten shared a brief LCMS Foundation financial update. Substantial funds were raised in December 2023, much of it coming from corporate matching and end-of-year donations. The Foundation will be hosting a blood drive at the school next week.
  - Mr. Wooten noted that a new club proposal had been provided to the board in the information and handouts for the current meeting.
  - Brian McKay acknowledged that the contract with the Charter Institute at Erskine (“Erskine”) had been executed within the past few weeks, and that the staff will be starting some transitional activities accordingly.
    - Mr. Wooten noted that Erskine would issue an official migration timeline soon.
    - Mr. McKay requested that Mr. Wooten include updates about the transition as part of his regular report in the coming months.
  - Mr. Wooten mentioned that LCMS had hosted a Christmas party for the staff and thanked the Board for supporting it.
- Lienne Medford, Academic Affairs
    - No report
  - Daniel Lumm, Governance
    - No report
  - Kyle Snipes, Facilities
    - Mr. Snipes indicated that he had conversations with various vendors in order update the school’s maintenance calendar.
    - The school’s janitorial contractor will provide updated information about their cleaning frequency and regimen during the summer period between school years, which could affect pricing.
  - Andrea Hyman, Treasurer
    - The LCMS Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss handouts that were shared with Board members, and Mrs. Hyman provided a brief summary, noting that none of the school’s recently documented expenses had been out of the ordinary.
    - It was noted that the school received additional revenue in December 2023 beyond what had been projected. Mr. Wooten explained that this was additional federal funding provided in a lump sum by GCS to help cover select expenses, including, but not necessarily limited to, teacher incentives and special education expenses. GCS has historically provided this funding as a lump sum, although Erskine will provide such funding on a monthly basis in future fiscal years.
    - Mr. McKay advised that the school’s budgetary planning for the next fiscal year should begin earlier than was done in the prior fiscal year.
  - Brian McKay, Chairman
    - Mr. McKay noted that the contract that formalizes LCMS’s selection of Erskine as its new authorizer had been signed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- None

**NEW BUSINESS**

## LANGSTON SCHOOL BOARD

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- New Club Proposal – Board Game Club
  - The Board discussed the proposal for a Board Game Club. Mr. Wooten noted that a parent who had previously started the school's Entrepreneur Club had also proposed this new club. No set list of board games that would be played at the club meetings has been determined yet.
    - Stacey Wilson made a motion that the Board approve the new club proposal.
    - The motion was seconded by Daniel Lumm.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- None

### **MOTION: ADJOURN MEETING**

- Daniel Lumm made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- The motion was seconded by Kyle Snipes.
- All were in favor, and the meeting adjourned at 6:31 pm.

### **NEXT MEETING**

February 13, 2024 at 6:00 pm