



A South Carolina Public Charter High School  
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Meeting of the Board of Directors

January 11, 2023

7:30 AM

Midlands Technical College, Airport Campus

Springdale Hall, Room 114

MISSION

The mission of Midlands Middle College is to prepare 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade high school students for a successful work and educational future through the integration of high school, technical college, and the world of work by providing targeted students with a rigorous and relevant academic program.

**Minutes of the January 2023 Board Meeting**

**Approved at the April 2023 Board Meeting**

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| Welcome                             | Val Richardson called the meeting to order with a quorum present. Board members in attendance: Val Richardson (via Phone), Brooks Backman, Ron Rhames, Diane Carr, Joel Merrill, Robin Betsin-Cohen, Kaye Shaw, Nadine Brooks, and Matt Rivers. Staff members in attendance: Laurie Lee and Cameron Oswald. |
| Public Comments                     | There were no public comments.  |
| Approval of Agenda                  | Ron Rhames made a motion to approve the agenda, and Diane Carr seconded. The motion passed.   |
| Approval of Minutes (October 2022)  | Diane Carr made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 2022 meeting, and Matt Rivers seconded. The motion passed.   |
| Installation of New Board Members   | Val Richardson led the oath of office with new board member Dr. Nadine Brooks.  |
| Approval of Board Governance Policy | Discussed the need and contents of the policy. There were no concerns at this time. It was mentioned that Nadine Brooks and Matt Rivers will complete their board training next month. Diane Carr made a motion to approve the Board Governance Policy and Brooks Backman seconded. The motion passed.      |

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| Review Charter Renewal Application | Continued discussion regarding the renewal of MMC’s charter and any updates that were made from the original charter. Specifically, the school’s mission statement, new vision statement, class schedule, and new building location. Items regarding attendance policies and other clarifying updates were made. Laurie Lee informed the board that the presentation of the updated Charter will be March 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2023 and board members are encouraged to attend.   |
| Approval of 2023-2024 Calendar     | Draft of the 2023-2024 academic calendar was reviewed. No concerns at this time. Diane Carr moved to approve the calendar and Matt Rivers seconded it. The motion passed.  |
| Review First Semester Data         | Data reviewed regarding first semester students and their classes. Specifically, data was discussed about virtual classes, credit recovery, overall classes taken and pass rate, dual enrollment, and graduates.   |
| Principal’s Update                 | Laurie Lee gave the principal’s update. There were 100 students enrolled this semester, which is a high since the pandemic. Laurie is teaching College 105 this semester, which is a 3-hour transferable college class. Efforts and numbers for credit recovery and dual enrollment were reported. The new website is up, and getting good feedback and response. In regards to adding 10 <sup>th</sup> grade next year, there have already been some inquiries. There was a brief review of the financial statement. Lastly, graduation is May 26 <sup>th</sup> at 4pm. |
| Adjournment                        | Diane Carr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Joel Merrill seconded. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.   |

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