



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

October 12, 2022

7:30 AM

Midlands Technical College, Airport Campus

Springdale Hall, Room 114

MISSION

The mission of Midlands Middle College is to prepare 11th and 12th 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 October 2022 Board Meeting
Approved at the January 2023 Board Meeting**

Welcome	Val Richardson called the meeting to order with a quorum present. Board members in attendance: Val Richardson, Brooks Backman, Ron Rhames, Diane Carr, Joel Merrill, Robin Betsin-Cohen, Kaye Shaw, and Matt Rivers. Staff members in attendance: Laurie Lee, Cameron Oswald, and Carrie Waring.
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 (July 2022)	Joel Merrill made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 2022 meeting, and Diane Carr seconded. The motion passed.
Installation of New Board Members	Val Richardson led the oath of office with new board member Matt Rivers, and returning board members Dr. Ron Rhames, Dr. Diane Carr, and Joel Merrill.
Review of Annual Financial Audit	Matthew Hodges from Burkett, Burkett & Burkett CPAs joined the meeting to review the audit of year ending 6/30/22 and 990 form. It is noted that the audit found no major issues. Important notes of discussion included: -Springdale Hall renovation costs impact

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	<p>-Esser III funds, and that these will be used to improve computers and technology equipment</p> <p>-The school is still waiting on state and federal funds owed from last fiscal year</p> <p>-Enrollment numbers, and their impact on funding</p> <p>Ron Rhames made a motion to accept the 990 form as presented, and Dr. Carr seconded.</p> <p>Matthew Hodges exited the meeting.</p>
Local Board Approved Course Application	<p>Laurie and Ms. Waring explained the application for a new elective course being taught, and the curriculum of the course. The course is a student success and preparation class to teach important life skills. The application will be submitted to the district for approval.</p> <p>Brooks Backman moved to approve the application. Matt Rivers seconded and the motion passed. Each present board member signed the application.</p>
Resolution of Charter Renewal	<p>MMC's charter is to be renewed every 10 years. It was proposed to renew and stay with the SC Public Charter School District. Kaye Shaw made a motion to renew the charter with SC Public Charter School District. Ron Rhames seconded, the motion passed. Each board member present signed the renewal document.</p>
Discuss Proposal to Add 10th Grade	<p>Full discussion about the implications of introducing 10th grade to MMC's curriculum. Discussion included staffing, finances, safety, etc. Joel Merrill moved to approve moving forward with adding 10th grade. Diane Carr seconded, and the motion passed.</p>
Principal's Update	<p>Laurie Lee gave updates on enrollment, recent disciplinary actions, the school's new website, credit recovery classes, and dual enrollment numbers.</p>
Executive Session	<p>Diane Carr made a motion to move into executive session and Joel Merrill seconded.</p> <p>The board executed the executive session discussion. Brooks Backman moved to exit the executive session and Kaye Shaw seconded. The executive session ended.</p>

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Adjournment	Brooks Backman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Diane Carr seconded. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.
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