

## MEETING MINUTES

**Name of Foundation:** Southwest Charter Foundation, Inc.

**Board Meeting:** August 1, 2016

**School(s) Present:** Bonita Springs Charter School                      Cape Coral Charter School  
 Gateway Charter School    Gateway Intermediate Charter School  
 Gateway Charter High School    Manatee Charter School  
 Six Mile Charter Academy

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Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:
August 1, 2016	1:36 pm	1:53 am	September 14, 2016	10:00am	R. Weaver
<b>Meeting Location:</b>					
Renaissance Charter School at Cooper City, 2800 North Palm Avenue, Cooper City, FL 33026					

<b>Attended by:</b>	
<p><b>Board Members:</b>            Ken Haiko, Chairman            Dennis Clark, Vice-Chairman            Tom Wheeler, Director            Margaret Wells, Director            Shane Strum, Director</p> <p>Absent:            John O'Brien, Director</p>	<p><b>Other Attendees:</b>            Michelle Thompson, Lead Principal, Florida West Coast            Levi Williams, Board Counsel            Rita Weaver, Board Governance Manager</p>

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting commenced at 1:36 pm with a Call to Order by Chairman Ken Haiko. Roll call was taken and quorum established.

Mr. Haiko opened the meeting by welcoming Michelle Thompson as the new Florida West Coast Regional and Lead Principal and announced that former Regional Deb Taylor would now be the principal at Manatee Charter School.

### **I. ADMINISTRATIVE**

#### Approval of Minutes from June 20, 2016

- Chairman Haiko asked the Board to review the Southwest Charter Foundation minutes from the June 20, 2016 board meeting and to note any changes. The minutes stand.

**MOTION: Motion was made by Dennis Clark and seconded by Margaret Wells to approve the minutes from June 20, 2016 Southwest Charter Foundation, Inc. Board meeting. Motion was approved (5-0) (1 absent).**

## **II. NEW BUSINESS**

### Parent Facilitator Designations

- The board reviewed the Parent Facilitator Designations for the portfolio of schools of the Southwest Charter Foundation, Inc.

**MOTION: Motion was made by Dennis Clark and seconded by Margaret Wells to approve the Parent Facilitator Designation for all schools of the Southwest Charter Foundation, Inc. Motion was approved unanimously.**

### School Attire Policy

- The board reviewed the school attire policy for all of the portfolio of schools of the Southwest Charter Foundation, Inc. The board discussed the details of the policy and the schools do have final say over appropriate hair and make-up use. All other questions were answered by Rita Weaver.

**MOTION: Motion was made by Tom Wheeler and seconded by Margaret Wells to approve the School Attire Policy for the portfolio of schools of the Southwest Charter Foundation, Inc. board. Motion passed unanimously.**

### Enrollment Update

- Rita Weaver, Board Governance Manager, presented an update on the enrollment numbers for the schools of concern for the board.

### Board Initiatives

- Ms. Weaver, then presented to the board several new initiatives for the board's feedback, including a detailed overview of the new school progress report and the thematic board reporting calendar. The board requested that survey participation goals be listed at 75%.
- Mr. Haiko then addressed the Principals and the Regionals regarding school grades.
  - Congratulating those schools who received school grades of A-B.
  - The Board expressed concern over the schools that had received a D or F
  - School leadership will be presenting school improvement plans in upcoming meetings

### Development Agreements

- Levi Williams, the board attorney, presented a development agreement to the board for the charter in Collier County. Mr. Williams recommended to the board that they approve and execute the development agreement presented.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by Tom Wheeler and seconded by Margaret Wells to accept the development agreement between Charter Schools USA, Inc. and Southwest Charter Schools, Inc. for Collier County. The Board further authorizes the Board Attorney to work with Tripp Scott on the final edits, provided there are no major language changes, and authorizes the chair to execute final agreements.

**III. OLD BUSINESS**

- There was no old business before the board.

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- There were no public comments at this time.

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Motion was made by Margaret Wells and seconded by Shane Strum to adjourn the Southwest Charter Foundation August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 board meeting. Motion was approved unanimously.



Ken Haiko, Chairman

Date: 9-15-16

