

MEETING MINUTES

Name of Foundations: Southwest Charter Foundation, Inc.

Board Meeting: November 7, 2024

Schools and Principals:

Bonita Springs Charter School - Carroll	Lakewood Ranch Preparatory Academy -Cendan
Collier Charter Academy - Thompson	Manatee Charter School - Anda
Gateway Charter School – Wade/Jenson	Mid-Cape Global Academy – Lemos
Six Mile Charter Academy - Laine	

The minutes of Sunshine Law meetings need not be verbatim transcripts of the meeting. These minutes are a brief summary of the events of the meeting.

Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:
November 7, 2024	12:30PM EST	12:56PM EST	February 13, 2024	12:30PM	R. Weaver/ L. Peake
Meeting Location: At Each School Above					
Attended by:					
Board Members: Ken Haiko, Chairman Tom Wheeler, Vice Chair and Secretary Paul Sallarulo, Treasurer Dennis Clark Billie Miller, Director Absent: Pat Smith, Director			Other Attendees: Principals and Parent Facilitators at above listed schools (or their designees) Dr. Eddie Ruiz, State Superintendent of Florida Rachel Windler-Freitag, Area 2 Deputy Director Nirvani Ramnath Area 3 Deputy Director Rita Weaver, Sr. Director of Board Governance, CSUSA Leah Peake, Board Governance Manager Ralph Arrojo, Citrin Cooperman		

CALL TO ORDER

- Pursuant to public notice, the meeting commenced at 12:31 PM EST with a Call to Order by Chairman, Ken Haiko. Roll call was taken, and quorum established.

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Board Chairman, Ken Haiko called for public comments. There were no public comments.

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Board Chairman, Ken Haiko called for committee reports. There were no committee reports.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

- October 28, 2024, Meeting Minutes
- Administrative Evaluation Tool
- Updated School Calendar - Lee County
- Out of Field Waivers – Manatee Charter School
- A+ Money Vote – Lakewood Ranch
- Q1 FY25 Financial Review

MOTION: Motion was made by Billie Miller and seconded by Tom Wheeler to approve the Consent Agenda for Southwest Charter Foundation; Inc. as presented. The motion was approved unanimously. (5-0, 1 absent)

IV. FINANCIALS

FY24 Audited Results

- Ralph Arrojo, from Citrin Cooperman Firm, presented to the board the FY24 Audit results with an unmodified opinion, which is the highest assurance the auditors can give. There were no financial issues noted and no uncorrected statements to be made. Mr Arrojo presented all the required disclosures.

MOTION: Motion was made by Paul Sallarulo and seconded by Dennis Clark to approve the FY24 Audited Results for Southwest Charter Foundation; Inc. as presented. The motion was approved unanimously. (5-0, 1 absent)

V. OLD BUSINESS

Manatee Charter Renewal

- The board review the charter application for Mantatee county.

MOTION: Motion was made by Billie Miller and seconded by Tom Wheeler to approve the Manatee Charter renewal for Southwest Charter Foundation, Inc. as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

VI. NEW BUSINESS – NONE

VII. CSUSA REPORTS

State Superintendent Update

- Progress Monitoring Update
 - Dr. Eddie Ruiz, State Superintendent, provided the board an update on Progress Monitoring and Principal Leadership Academy.

MOTION: Motion was made by Tom Wheeler and seconded by Paul Sallarulo to approve the CSUSA Reports for Southwest Charter Foundation, Inc. as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

- Name Change
 - Collier Charter Academy to be changed to Innovation Preparatory Academy of Naples
 - Six Mile Charter Academy to be changed to Innovation Preparatory Academy South of Ft. Myers

MOTION: Motion was made by Billie Miller and seconded by Dennis Clark to approve the name change for Collier Charter Academy to be changed to Innovation Preparatory Academy of Naples And Six Mile Charter Academy to be changed to Innovation Preparatory Academy South of Ft. Myers, as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

- Hearing no objections, Board Chair, Ken Haiko adjourned the November 7, 2024, Southwest Charter Foundation, Inc. Board Meeting at 12:56 PM EST



Ken Haiko, Board Chair

Date: 2-13-25