

South Carolina Governor's School for Science & Mathematics
Board of Trustees Meeting
Conference Call
June 9, 2016
Noon

Governing Board Members present via conference call:

Dr. Perry Halushka, Vice Chair
Dr. Argentini Anderson, departed during Item 7
Mr. John Barnes, departed during Item 7
Mr. Hal Campbell, joined at 12:50 during Budget Review
Dr. Randy Collins
Dr. Helen Doeringhaus, departed following Item 7
Dr. Joe Griffin
Dr. Chris Przirembel
Mr. Lee Stogner
Mr. Art Tompkins, joined during Item 2
Ms. Carolyne Williams

Staff:

Dr. Hector Flores
Ms. Kim Bowman
Mr. Ernie Boyd
Ms. Susan Coker
Dr. Karen Den Braven
Mr. Danny Dorsel
Dr. Emilye Mobley
Mr. Jon Shannon, via conference call

Item 1: Call to Order and Roll Call:

Dr. Halushka, Vice Chair, presiding, called the meeting to order at 12:04 pm. Roll was taken with a quorum present.

Item 2: Newly proposed date and time for next Board meeting.

Thursday, September 8, 2016, 9:00 - Noon in Hartsville
Convocation at 2:00 pm.

Motion to approve by Ms. Williams, seconded by Dr. Przirembel, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Item 3: Board Meeting Schedule for 2017

Thursday	January 12, 2017	Hartsville
Thursday	April 6, 2017	Columbia
Thursday	June 15, 2017	Conference Call
Thursday	September 14, 2017	Hartsville

Note new date for the April 2017 meeting.

Item 4: Approval of the minutes of the April 14, 2016 meeting of the GSSM Board of Trustees.

Dr. Halushka asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes. Hearing none, Dr. Przirembel made a motion to approve, seconded by Dr. Doerpinghaus, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Item 5: President's Report

Dr. Flores began by stating that he was pleased to address his first Board meeting as President, after having been at GSSM just under two months.

His presentation included the following:

- Re-stating strategic and operational principles
- Baseline data
- Summary of early action steps and planning questions
- Team building, networking, and community relations
- Student-centered excellence

Item 6: Facilities and Finance Committee Report

Mr. Ernie Boyd, VP Operations and CFO, began by thanking all members of the Finance Committee for their hard work – Mr. Tompkins, Chair, Dr. Davis, Mr. Barnes, and Dr. Flores.

Presentations and discussion pertained to the following categories:

1) Current 2015-2016 Budget Status, EOY

Mr. Boyd presented an overview, noting that GSSM's funding/budget is in positive shape. Received as information.

2) 2016-2017 Budget Plan: Start of Year, Plan A

Mr. Boyd presented an overview. The GSSM Foundation Allocation is formally incorporated into GSSM's Budget. The GSSM Foundation Board is to approve the Allocation Proposal at their June Board meeting.

First Action Item:

Board adopt the GSSM Foundation Allocation for 2016-2017 to incorporate into GSSM's 2016-2017 Budget.

Total is \$1,677,865 per the line items detailed in Attachment B1.

Staff recommendation: Approve
Finance Committee vote: Approved

A second motion was not needed due to the Finance Committee recommendation. Dr. Halushka called for questions and/or discussion. The Board then voted unanimously to approve.

Mr. Barnes inquired about the possibility of formally thanking the Foundation for their energy and contributions. Dr. Halushka will talk with Chairman Davis about drafting a formal thank-you letter to the Foundation from the GSSM Board of Trustees.

2016-2017 GSSM Budget Start of Year (SOY) Plan A

Mr. Boyd presented an overview. Dr. Halushka called for questions and discussion.

Second Action Item:
Board approve 2016-2017 GSSM Budget, SOY Plan A.

Staff Recommendation: Approve
Finance Committee Action: Approved

A second motion was not needed due to the Finance Committee recommendation. Dr. Halushka called for questions and/or discussion. The Board then voted unanimously to approve.

3) 2017-2018 GSSM State Budget Increase Request Priorities

Mr. Boyd presented an itemized overview followed by questions and discussion.

Priorities:

A) Operating, recurring:	\$456,475
Statewide Outreach, HR Support, IT	
B) Capital, non-recurring	\$9,500,000
Total Request:	\$9,956,475

Third Action Item:
Board to approve 2017-2018 State Budget Increase Request Priorities

Staff Recommendation: Approve
Finance Committee: Approved

A second motion was not needed due to the Finance Committee recommendation. Dr. Halushka called for the vote which was unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Boyd presented an update on the School Activity Checking Account.

Item 7: Discussion of Student Survey

Dr. Flores and Mr. Shannon, Chief Information Officer, presented an overview of the development and initial assessment of the Student Survey. This presentation followed with thorough discussion among Board members and GSSM Staff.

Item 8: Discussion of Partnership with City of Hartsville

Dr. Flores presented a concept regarding an opportunity to partner with the City of Hartsville. This included renting a space in the downtown area for students, faculty, and staff to engage in opportunities of entrepreneurship, creativity, strategic thinking, etc. Questions and discussion followed. A proposal will be prepared to present to the Board for review in the next few weeks.

Item 9: New Business

Mr. Boyd shared information with the Board regarding the passing of Mr. Fred R. Sheheen. Mr. Sheheen was a former GSSM Board Member, Townes Award Recipient, and a very good friend and supporter of GSSM. Mr. Boyd recommended drafting a letter of appreciation or proclamation recognizing Mr. Sheheen's service to GSSM. Dr. Halushka agreed and Mr. Boyd will prepare the letter and send to the Sheheen family.

Item 10: Approval of the Consent Agenda

Dr. Halushka asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion to approve by Ms. Williams, seconded by Dr. Przirembel, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Item 11: Adjourn

Dr. Halushka asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Ms. Williams and unanimously approved by the Board. The meeting adjourned at 2:40 pm.

