

South Carolina Governor's School for Science & Mathematics  
Board of Trustees  
401 Railroad Avenue  
Hartsville, SC 29550  
January 14, 2016  
Noon

**Governing Board Members Present:**

Dr. Leroy Davis, Chairman  
Mr. John Barnes  
Mr. Hal Campbell  
Dr. Helen Doeringhaus  
Dr. Joe Griffin  
Dr. Perry Halushka  
Dr. Chris Przirembel  
Mr. Jack Sanders  
Mr. Lee Stogner  
Mr. Art Tompkins

**Governing Board Members Present via Conference Call:**

Dr. Argentini Anderson, joined at 1:12 during Item 7  
Dr. Randy Collins, departed at 1:15 following Item 7  
Dr. Ron Welch, joined during student presentations. Departed @ 12:55 during Item 7  
Ms. Carolyne Williams

**Staff:**

Dr. Murray Brockman  
Ms. Kim Bowman  
Mr. Ernie Boyd  
Ms. Susan Coker  
Dr. Karen Den Braven  
Mr. Danny Dorsel  
Mr. Randy LaCross  
Dr. Emilye Mobley  
Mr. Jon Shannon

**Item 1: Call to Order and Roll Call**

Dr. Davis called the meeting to order at 12:09 pm. He thanked all Board members for their time and participation. Roll was taken with a quorum present.

## **Item 2: Introduction of New Staff Members**

Dr. Davis recognized Dr. Emilye Mobley, GSSM VP Student Development, who introduced new Student Development staff members as follows:

Mr. Timothy Staples – Director of Campus Life  
Ms. Cathy Thomas – Director of Student Engagement  
Dr. Jenifer Blair – Director of College Counseling and Advising

Mr. Danny Dorsel, GSSM VP Academic Affairs, introduced three GSSM students who shared their interim class experiences with the Board.

Proceeding, Dr. Davis suggested re-arranging the order of several agenda items due to some Board members' schedules and availability.

Dr. Davis reminded all Board members of the importance of completing the 2016 Statement of Economic Interest Report. Deadline for completing is March 30, 2016.

## **Item 3: Reminder of Future Board Meetings**

Dr. Davis reminded all Board members of the next meeting which will be April 14, 2016 in Columbia, followed by a Conference Call meeting on June 9, 2016, and a meeting in Hartsville on September 15, 2016.

## **Item 4: Approval of the Minutes**

Dr. Davis asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2015 Special Called Board Meeting. Motion to approve by Mr. Sanders, seconded by Dr. Halushka, and unanimously approved by the Board.

## **Item 5: President's Report**

Dr. Brockman presented the President's Report and included the following information:

- GSSM recently learned of the passing of an early instructor. A suggestion has been made regarding a memorial plaque. Plans are being discussed.
- Recognized the strong partnerships that GSSM has established and maintained both statewide and internationally
- Interim courses

### **Item 7: Academic Affairs Committee**

Dr. Doeringhaus, Chair, recognized three GSSM staff members for the following reports:

Mr. Dorsel, VP Academic Affairs , provided a brief report on the following:

- A new pilot program that involves on-campus year-round research
- Update on articulation agreements

Dr. Brockman, President

- Presented information regarding a Proviso

Dr. Den Braven, GSSM Director of Engineering Programs

- Overview of Accelerate Engineering Program
- First graduates in May 2016

### **Item 6: Facilities and Finance Committee**

Mr. Tompkins, Chair, recognized Mr. Boyd, CFO and VP Operations, to present the report.

Mr. Boyd indicated that each year in January, GSSM and the Board of Trustees must review and approve a student meal fee for the upcoming school year. His report included the following:

- Recent re-bid of food services contract
- Data on current and historical meal fees/aid
- Student meal fee proposal for 2016-2017

Thorough discussion followed.

Action Item: Review & Approve Student Meal Fee for 2016-2017.

Proposed Motion: Maintain \$2000 Student Meal Fee for 2016-2017. Reaffirm that “No child will be denied participation in residential program if unable to pay the Student Meal Fee.”

Staff Recommendation: Approve

Finance Committee: Approve

A Committee recommendation and motion does not require a second motion. Dr. Davis then called for the vote to accept the Committee’s recommendation and motion. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

### **Item 8: Student Development Report**

Ms.Carolyn Williams, Chair, recognized Dr. Mobley, VP Student Development, who presented the report with the following highlights:

- Enrollment Update
- College Applications and College Visits
- Fall Sports Update

**Item 9: Institutional Advancement Committee**

Ms. Bowman, CEO, GSSM Foundation, and EVP Strategic Direction, GSSM, presented an updated report which included historic and current data, and future strategic plans for the following:

- Recruiting and Admissions
- Outreach
- Fundraising
- Special Project

**Item 11: New Business**

No new business.

**Item 12: Approval of the Consent Agenda**

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

**Item 10: Executive Session (Closed Session)**

Dr. Davis stated that no decisions will be made and no actions will be taken during Executive Session. Once the Executive Session has been completed, the Board will return to Open Session.

Dr. Davis then asked for a motion to enter Executive Session. Motion by Mr. Sanders, seconded by Dr. Doeringhaus, and unanimously approved by the Board.

**Return to Open Session**

The Board returned to Open Session. Dr. Davis stated that the Board took no actions and made no decisions during Executive Session.

**Item 13: Adjourn**

Dr. Davis then asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Dr. Halushka, seconded by Mr. Tompkins, and unanimously approved by the Board.

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Dr. Leroy Davis, Chairman  
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