

South Carolina Governor's School for Science & Mathematics
Board of Trustees Meeting
Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein, LLP
1201 Main Street, Suite 1450
Columbia, SC
September 13, 2012
Minutes

Governing Board members present:

Dr. Leroy Davis, Chairman
Dr. Helen Doerpinghaus
Mr. Dwight Floyd
Mr. Art Tompkins

Governing Board members present via conference call:

Mr. Asa Godbold
Dr. Perry Halushka
Dr. Jan Murdoch

Guest:

Mr. Bob Brown – GSSM Foundation Board member

Staff:

Dr. Murray Brockman
Ms. Kim Bowman
Mr. Ernie Boyd
Mrs. Susan Coker
Mr. Danny Dorsel
Mr. Robert Fletcher
Mr. Randy LaCross
Dr. Ted Lee
Dr. Emilye Mobley
Mr. Jon Shannon

Item 1-2: Call to Order and Roll Call

Dr. Davis called the meeting to order at 10:05 am. Roll was taken and board members were reminded of the next board meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2013 at GSSM in Hartsville.

Item 3:

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Davis asked for a motion to accept the June 14, 2012 draft of minutes as written. Motion was made by Mr. Floyd, seconded by Dr. Doerpinghaus, and passed unanimously by the board.

Item 4: Strategic Planning

Opening Remarks:

Dr. Davis opened the meeting by emphasizing that the day's purpose and focus was specifically on the topic of strategic planning in regards to the growth of GSSM. It will be discussion only and no votes will be taken.

Dr. Brockman began by announcing new GSSM board members: 1) Mr. Art Tompkins, VistaBank, 2) Dr. Perry Halushka, Dean, College of Graduate Studies, Medical University of South Carolina 3) Mr. Hal Campbell, Time2Track, and 4) Dr. Jochen Lauterbach, Professor, Smartstate Endowed Chair, University of South Carolina. Also welcomed was Mr. Bob Brown, Integrated Systems, who was attending the meeting as a representative of the GSSM Foundation.

Introductions of new GSSM staff members included Mr. Danny Dorsel, VP for Academic Affairs and Dr. Ted Lee, Chief Engineer for the new GSSM Engineering Accelerate Program.

Dr. Brockman continued with opening remarks which included a review of the GSSM Vision and the near-term goals and accomplishments of the 2005 strategic plan. Going forward, the goals of a new strategic plan must set the direction for the next five years to achieve and maintain high international ranking, secure the GSSM brand of excellence in the state and nation, and insure superior outcomes for GSSM graduates. Dr. Brockman emphasized that while many things have changed since the 2005 strategic plan, many things have not changed such as GSSM's commitment to academic mastery and commitment to ethical leadership.

Strategic Discussion of GSSM Residential Program:

Facilitator: Robert Fletcher, Founding Director, Economics & Finance Institute, GSSM

Mr. Fletcher outlined the day's discussion as follows:

- 1) Identification and analysis of GSSM stakeholder groups and their expectations of GSSM
- 2) SWOT Analysis (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats)
- 3) Key strategic questions
- 4) Response and actions in regards to key strategic questions
- 5) Next steps

Thorough discussion followed which presented many questions and proposed options pertaining to GSSM growth.

In Conclusion:

Dr. Brockman thanked all board members and staff for their participation and creativity. Going forward, the staff will continue to work on each new and specified initiative with regard to the following:

- 1) Wholistically – How to develop the student/graduate of the future
- 2) Create and present a time analysis for each curricular option evaluated
- 3) Present recommendations for hiring – disciplines and staff – for Fall 2013 and for long-term growth.

Analyses and recommendations will be presented at the January 24, 2013 board meeting.

Dr. Davis thanked everyone as well and made several recommendations for the January 2013 *board meeting*:

- 1) Provide board reports earlier for the January meeting so that board members may have more time to study prior to the meeting.
- 2) Consider additional time for the January board meeting.

Item 5: Approval of the Consent Agenda

Dr. Davis asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Mr. Floyd made a motion to approve, seconded by Dr. Doerpinghaus, and unanimously approved by the board.

Dr. Davis also requested a motion for adjournment. Motion made by Dr. Doerpinghaus, seconded by Mr. Floyd and unanimously approved by the board. Meeting adjourned at 5:04 pm.

Dr. Leroy Davis, Chairman
Board of Trustees
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L. Dwight Floyd
Presiding Board Member
SC Governor's School for Science & Mathematics