South Carolina Governor's School for Science & Mathematics
Board of Trustees Meeting
Conference Call
June 11, 2015
Noon

Governing Board members present via conference call:

Dr. Leroy Davis, Chairman
Mr. John Barnes
Mr. Hal Campbell
Dr. Joe Griffin
Dr. Perry Halushka
Dr. Jan Murdoch
Dr. Jochen Lauterbach
Dr. Chris Przirembel
Mr. Randy Senn
Dr. Mark Sothmann, joined during Item 5
Mr. Lee Stogner
Dr. Ron Welch
Mr. Art Tompkins
Ms. Carolyne Williams

Staff:

Dr. Murray Brockman
Ms. Kim Bowman
Mr. Ernie Boyd
Ms. Susan Coker
Mr. Danny Dorsel
Dr. Emilye Mobley
Mr. Jon Shannon

Item 1: Call to Order and Roll Call

Dr. Davis called the meeting to order at noon. Roll was taken with a quorum present.

Item 2: Reminder of Future Board Meetings

Dr. Davis reminded Board members of the next meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 17, 2015 in Hartsville. Additional meetings are listed on the agenda.

Item 3: Approval of the Minutes

Dr. Davis asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2015 Board meeting. Motion to approve by Dr. Halushka, seconded by Dr. Przirembel, and unanimously approved by the Board.
Item 5: Search Committee Report

Dr. Davis provided an update on the GSSM Presidential Search process and schedule. Questions and discussion followed.

GSSM Student Council Moderator, Jay Gohil, was the student representative on the Search Committee. Jay recently graduated in the GSSM Class of 2015, and therefore, the new Student Council Moderator, Sam Sisney, will join the Search Committee.

Dr. Davis recommended the preparation of a Resolution to Jay Gohil, expressing the Board’s appreciation for his outstanding service on the Search Committee.

Ms. Williams made a motion in favor of the Resolution, seconded by Dr. Przirembel, and unanimously approved by the Board.

Item 4: President’s Report

Dr. Brockman presented the President’s Report and included the following highlights:

- Graduation – Largest graduating class with 111 graduates
- Scholarships and Awards
- Research opportunities

Item 6: Institutional Advancement Committee Report

Ms. Bowman, CEO, GSSM Foundation, & EVP Strategic Direction, GSSM, presented a report on an outstanding year in fundraising, marketing, recruitment, and admissions. Historical and current data were provided to support growth in all areas.

Item 7: Student Development Committee Report

Dr. Mobley, VP Student Development, presented a report on college admissions, matriculation of the class of 2015, and scholarship information. Historical and current data were provided.

Item 8: Finance, Facilities, & Operations 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, Dr. Welch, Mr. Barnes, and Dr. Brockman.

Presentations and discussion pertained to the following categories:

1) Current 2014-2015 Budget Status, EOY
   Mr. Boyd presented an overview, noting that GSSM’s funding/budget is in very good shape as we complete growth transitions. Received as information.
2) **2015-2016 Budget, 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 scheduled to meet later in June and approve the Foundation Allocation Proposal.

**First Action Item:**

Board adopt the GSSM Foundation Allocation for 2015-2016 to incorporate into GSSM’s 2015-2016 Budget.

Total is $1,584,893, per the line items detailed in Attachment B1.

**Staff Recommendation:** Approve  
Finance Committee (May 22, 2015): Approved

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

**2015-2016 GSSM Budget, Start of Year (SOY) Plan A**

Mr. Boyd presented an overview. Questions and discussion followed.

**Second Action Item:**

Board approve 2015-2016 Budget, SOY Plan A.

**Staff Recommendation:** Approve  
Finance Committee (May 22, 2015): Approved

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

3) **2016-2017 GSSM State Budget Request Priorities**

Mr. Boyd presented an overview.

**Third Action Item:**

**Operating Priorities:**  
A) Residential (Personnel and Operating Support) $169,500  
B) Accelerate Eng. Full Funding: $1,220,000

**Total Operating Request:** $1,389,500

**Staff Recommendation:** Approve  
Finance Committee (May 22, 2015): Approved

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

Mr. Boyd concluded with brief comments regarding future growth and expansion considerations.
**Item 9: Academic Affairs and Outreach Committee Report**

Mr. Dorsel, VP Academic Affairs, presented a report which included the following highlights:

- New faculty positions
- Internal research initiative
- SmartChat Guest Speaker Series
- 2015-2016 Academic Calendar

Ms. Bowman presented the Outreach Committee report which included the following summer highlights:

- Student research programs; state, national, and global
- Statewide summer outreach programs
- Teacher training programs
- New Outreach staff positions

**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. Murdoch, seconded by Ms. Williams, and unanimously approved by the Board.

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

Dr. Davis stated that discussion during Executive Session will pertain to personnel matters. No votes or action will take place.

The Board returned to open session. There was no additional business.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.

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Dr. Leroy Davis, Chairman  
Board of Trustees  
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