

GEORGIA CYBER ACADEMY (GCA)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

DATE: September 25, 2019 | **TIME:** 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM; (begins at 6:10 PM)

**LOCATION: ROBBINS ROSS ALLOY BELINFANTE LITTLEFIELD LLC, 500 14th Street, NW,
Atlanta, GA 30318**

CONFERENCE CALL DIAL-IN #: 1.515.606.5371 | **ACCESS CODE:** 675050#

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://georgiacyber.zoom.us/j/802279475>

Attendees: Kenneth Tennyson Asher (Board Chair), Ben Brumfield, Juliann McBrayer, Eric Cochling

Absent: Andrew Lewis

Board Employees/Contractors: Angela Lassetter (HOS), Michael Kooi (Executive Director), Alexa Ross (General Counsel)

Staff Attendees: Melissa Komolafe (Admin), Amina Ross (Admin), Ahoba Arthur (Admin), Allison Godowns (Admin), Lucretia Nolan (Admin), Susan Hammonds-Harris (HR), Jennifer Mitchell (Admin), Maria Blencowe (Communications), Andre Hopewell (CFO), Rosie Lowndes (Admin), Jaime Conner (Admin), Maria Waters (Admin), Michelda Watson (Admin), Kristen Blanda (Admin), Kara Bridgers (Admin), Karen Miller (Admin), Elizabeth Rose (Admin), Madeline Jones-Lowman (Admin), Elizabeth Rose (Admin)

Parents: Beth McCamy, Lisa Moseley, Due to the large number of parents that dialed in to the meeting we are unable to document all names

Other: Jessica Waechter (DOAA), Charlie Harper (C Harper Media), Jeff Hord (GCA attorney)

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS:

	MOTION	SECOND	VOTE
Motion to move to executive session	Eric Cochling	Ben Brumfield	Unanimous approved.
Motion to approve August 2019 board meeting minutes	Eric Cochling	Juliann McBrayer	Unanimous approved.
Motion to adjourn Board meeting.	Ben Brumfield	Eric Cochling	Unanimous approved

I. Call to order

II. Motion to move to executive session to consult and meet with legal counsel pertaining to pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims administrative proceedings or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the school district or an officer of employee or in which the officer of employee may be directly involved, Motion by Eric Cochling, seconded by Ben Brumfield, unanimously approved.

- III. Review and approval of August 29, 2019 meeting minutes
 - A. Motion to approve by Eric Cochling, seconded by Juliann McBrayer, unanimously approved.
 - B. Date of board meeting changed from 9/18/19 to 9/25/19 due to coordinating schedules with other board members

- IV. Finance Committee Report- Andre Hopewell
 - A. Monthly financials
 - i. P. 3- YTD spend v- YTD budget- determined by taking budget passed in July dividing by 12, multiplying by 2- YTD actual spend \$14,268,000 - \$13.5 million- \$711,000- variances \$3.3 million
 - ii. P.6- School balance sheet-increasing cash reserves- increase in August
 - iii. Total assets, total liabilities- K12
 - B. 2019 Audit review
 - i. School P&L, balance sheet- government accounting activity-TRS
 - ii. P. 10 – school balance sheet- \$250K positive- total \$19 million liabilities and fund balance
 - iii. P. 12- school P&L total revenue \$94 million- positive fund balance- pupil services \$5.2- instructional services just under \$600K
 - iv. Kenneth question- government P&L requirement to balance out- Andre- FY19 ended year in deficit- 250K reserve added to balance budget credits- most funds go to instruction- will have net surplus for this year
 - v. P. 41- summary- no deficiencies
 - vi. Kenneth question- now that GCA is managing school, are we working with auditor so that next time the process is seamless- Andre- yes, auditors responsibility, they have reviewed our policies – Kenneth- do they also review our books and financial processes- Andre- yes- they look for deficiencies, inventory, weaknesses - focus this year title 1 funds- FY19 audit clean and complete - Kenneth- what does deferred outflow of resources P.4- Andre- government accounting activities-looking at entire staff and retirement funds-Kenneth- is there notation in report to show that-Andre/Angela- showing as \$2 million loss- causes problem for other vendors- Andre will provide statute
 - vii. Submission DE46- have done 2 of 3- last one for year
 - viii. Angela commends Andre for working with Bambo - did not have typical support from K12

- V. Head of School Report – Angela Lassetter
 - A. Governance training
 - i. Same as last month- Mike needs to know who is attending mandatory training- Nov- if not must attend February
 - B. Commission visit update
 - i. Waiting on results from commission monitoring visit
 - ii. New legislation stating need at least 2 people trained to ID diabetes- for GCA only needed during testing at all 58 sites- would need 116 people trained in order to ID- commission working on giving more guidance.
 - iii. nursing policy in place since 2014
 - iv. Commissions questions about certain laws- audit visit- superintendent- awarded family friendly partnership school award from DOE
 - C. Outing Day
 - i. 3 locations today- thank you Tonette Price- Piedmont, Macon, St. Simons- HS college and job fair- never done before- Legoland, Children’s museum- Angela attended Piedmont Park
 - D. Academic performance data update

- i. Final numbers embargoed- 3 parts CCRPI- content mastery- received growth target set by state- 3% increase in every grade band- state does not count home school- charter schools don't get data
 - ii. Closing gaps- exceeded state score in every grade band- mostly double digits- 1300 credit hours recovered
 - iii. Ben Brumfield- as oldest serving board member says that seeing the green flags across the board is refreshing
 - E. Announcements/reminders
 - i. Several conferences coming up- for registrations please contact Mike- GCSA conference board members encouraged to attend
 - F. Human resources update
- VI. Next Board of Directors Meeting
 - A. October 16th, 2019
- VII. Public comments
 - A. Parent Beth McCamy
 - i. Congrats on awards to school- wants school to succeed- critical education
 - ii. Concerned about disconnect- still waiting on computers- change is difficult- catch up- know plans in place
 - iii. Parents are partners- can promote legislation about grad rates- budget issue
 - B. Alexa Ross- General Counsel
 - i. Congrats Angela
 - C. Full faith and confidence in staff- will continue to push forward
 - D. Parent Lisa Moseley
 - i. LC- sacrifice- children successful
 - ii. Kenneth- thank you for contribution
- VIII. ADJOURN
 - A. Motion to adjourn by Ben Brumfield, seconded by Eric Cochling, unanimously approved.