



CHARTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Microsoft Teams Meeting

April 14, 2022 • 10:00 AM

MINUTES

1. Charter Advisory Committee (“CAC”) Chair Mark Whitlock called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM.
2. CAC members present were Fred Williams, Mark Whitlock, Laura Stowell, Brian Cooksey, David Moeller, and Thomas “Witt” Gaither.
 - Georgia Department of Education (“GaDOE” or “Department”): District Flexibility and Charter Schools Director Allen Mueller, Staff Data Manager Alvenease Jackson.
 - Charter System Foundation Consultants: Emily Lembeck, Lynn Plunkett, Dan Weber, Pamela Tallmadge.
 - State Charter Schools Commission: Director of Research & Evaluation, Katie Manthey.
3. Laura Stowell moved to approve the agenda. Fred Williams seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.
4. Brian Cooksey moved to approve the February 11, 2022, meeting minutes. David Moeller seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.
5. CAC Recommendations:
 - a. **Candler Charter System**
 - Dr. Williams, Chairman Whitlock, Dr. Plunkett, and Mr. Mueller provided an overall assessment of the petition and interview.
 - Ms. Stowell motioned to recommend approval. Dr. Williams seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.



b. Catoosa County Charter System

- Dr. Williams, Dr. Plunkett, Ms. Mr. Mueller, Ms. Lembeck, and Mr. Cooksey provided an overall assessment of the petition and interview.
- Mr. Cooksey motioned to recommend approval. Dr. Williams seconded the motion, which was approved by Ms. Stowell, Mr. Cooksey, Mr. Gaither, and Mr. Whitlock. (Mr. Moeller is on the Board, therefore abstained from voting)

c. Clarke County Charter System

- Mr. Mueller, and Dr. Plunkett provided an overall assessment of the petition and interview.
- Dr. Williams motioned to recommend approval. Ms. Stowell seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

d. Jasper County

- Mr, Mueller shared Ms.Munn’s assessment of the petition interview. Dr. Plunkett, and Mr. Mueller also provided an overall assessment of the petition and interview.
- Ms. Stowell motioned to recommend approval. Dr. Moeller seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously..

6. DOE updates:

- Mr. Mueller provided status of pending contract renewals for Locally Approved Charter Schools.

7. Charter Systems Report:

- Ms. Lembeck provided a status update on the training and mentoring orientation sessions.
- Mr. Weber advised of the newly hired consultant from Liberty County, Susan Avant.
- Pam Talmadge provided an update on the Fall Conference, scheduled for October 4, 2022, in Athens, GA.

8. Mr. Whitlock adjourned the meeting at 11:34 AM

