

# Southern Avenue Charter School of Academic Excellence & Creative Arts

May 20, 2025

Board of Directors' Meeting

4:30pm - 5:30pm

Agenda

# Agenda ITEMS:

- Meeting call to Order/Roll Call
  Introduction of New Board Member-Chairman Amos &
  Mrs. Evans
- II. Approval of Board Agenda-Chairman Amos
- III. 2025/2026 Proposed Budget-Mrs. Camille Hubbard School Account
- IV. Election of New Board Members-Presentation of Perspective Board Members-Review Resumes and discussion.
- V. Election of New Officers
- VI. SACS Charity Golf Tournament
- VII. State of The School Report
- VIII. Closing





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### **Board Minutes**

- I. Roll Call Southern Avenue Charter Elementary School Board
- II. Process: The Southern Avenue Charter Elementary School final meeting for the 2024/2025 school was held in the school library 2185 Democrat Road Memphis, TN 38132. The roll call is as follows:

Directors Present: Judge Walter Evans, Director Carolyn Willett, Chairmen Stan Burton, Director Stephanie Walker (Treasury), Director Tanio Incio, Director Kathryn Smith, Director. Gwendolyn Boykins, Director Tyrus Perry, Director Dell Stiner, Director Anthony Amos, Director Sidney White,

Elise Evans, Director of Schools, Cammille Hubbard, CPA

## Call To order:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Stan Burton at 4:45pmwho stated we would follow the agenda as written. Director Burton stated the Board members should have received the February 15, 2025, board minutes via email. He then asks the Board for any discussion, concerns or questions prior to receiving a motion for approval of the minutes of the February 15, 2025, meeting. Chairman Burton, ask for a motion to approve said minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously by all after a motion by Director Boykin's, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Perry.

III. 2025/2026 Proposed Budget: Chairman Burton stated that a copy of the proposed budget was sent to each director by Executive Director Mrs. Elise. He stated the account Mrs. C. Hubbard would walk through the entire budget for clarity and questions. Mrs. C. Hubbard, the school account presented the proposed 2025/2026 budget to the board. She talked through entire budget line upon line. Mrs. Hubbard asked if there were any questions or discussions concerning the budget. Director T. Perry commented about the part-time school resources officer (School Truant Officer). It was explained the absenteeism is so extreme and the school is penalized because of our children being absent. Chairman Burton asked for a motion on the budget report if there were no more questions or discussion. A motion was made by Sidney White and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Judge Walter Evans.

## **IV.** Election of New Member:

Chairperson Burton, state that if there was anyone that wanted to present new board members at this time the floor was open for presentation and discussion. Director Sidney

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## V. Election of New Officers

Director Burton, stated that things have changed in his family since his father-n-law passed a short will back, although he will always have the school in his heart, he is stepping away from any officer position on the board. He stated he now needed nomination for a new chair of the board. Director Stephanie Walker nominated Mr. Anthony Amos, as a candidate for Board chair. Judge W. Evans 2<sup>nd</sup> the nomination. There were no more names submitted. The Board of Directors voted unanimously to elect Director Amos as the new Chair of the Southern Avenue Charter School.

Executive Director Mrs. Evans and the entire board of Directors welcomed Mr. Amos, to his new position.

## VI. SACS Charity Golf Tournament:

Charity Golf Report: Update: Sidney White reported that he is working on the upcoming Golf Tournament. He stated that all committee members should be prepared to work on more than one and to be responsible for the same committees. The event will be 2 day event with an evening reception to be held at the Sears Cross Town Concourse, hospitably room. Director White ask each member to please read the information he sent prior to the meeting and let him know if there are any questions. He also asked if there was anyone that needed assistant with committees. Director Stiner, stated that they were completing the trophies and the date they would be completed.

VII: State of the School Report: Mrs. Elise Evans, Executive Director of Schools, presented a handout to the Directors from I-Ready showing the high results of the reading scores. Mrs. Evans stated Miss. Parker or Mrs. Bridgforth were able to make the meeting. However Miss Parker did prepare the I-Ready information. She stated the TCAP scores have not been

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**officially** released; however everything we have heard and seen our scholars did well in every respect. Mrs. Evans stated the instructional team did the heavy lifting with the scholars.

Director Burton, requested a motion to approve the Elections of New Board Members, Change is Board Officers, SACS Charity Golf Tournament and state of the school. Director K Smith motioned that the reports be accepted it was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Amos. The motion was approved by the majority with no abstentions.

## **V.** III Closing

*Director of Schools Report:* Mrs. Evans asks that the board members sign up for the committees that are required to function by the state of TN, She asked Director Perry, if he would continue work with recruitment and attendance committees. Mrs. Evans, also asked that if anyone knows people who had an interest being on our board, please bring in their resume that it may be looked over. Mrs. Evans, thanked everyone for attending the required board training by the TN Department of Education.

Chairman Burton asked for approval of the Directors report, Sidney White made a motion and it was second my Ms. Incio and approved with no abstentions. The next meeting was set for August, 2025, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:15pm

Respectfully Submitted Ms. L. Madison, Recorder

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