



**South Carolina Connections Academy (SCCA)
BOARD MEETING**

Pursuant to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act, notice is hereby given to the members of the SCCA Board and the general public that the SCCA Board will hold a meeting open to the public on:

Date and Time:

Wednesday, August 17, 2011 at 3:00 p.m.

Held at the following locations:

220 Stoneridge Drive, Suite 403
Columbia, SC 29210

Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented on the agenda at the discretion of the Chair.

Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate persons with a disability. Please contact Allison Reaves at 803-212-4712, Ext. 301. Requests should be made as early as possible to arrange the accommodation; no later than twenty four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

BOARD AGENDA

- I. Call to Order – J. Flora
- II. Roll Call – J. Flora
- III. Public Comment

The Board welcomes participation by the members of the public both in-person and telephonically. To address an item on the agenda, before the scheduled start of the meeting, an individual must write their name and a short description of the agenda item on which they wish to comment on the card provided and submit this to the Chair, along with any materials they want to have distributed to Board. Individuals who wish to address the Board telephonically must contact the school principal by phone or by email at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the Board meeting. If the individual wants to provide any written materials to the Board, these should be emailed to the School Principal at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the meeting.

The total time for any individual to present, either in person or via telephone, on an item on the agenda shall not exceed three (3) minutes, unless the Board grants additional time.

Individuals desiring to make a formal presentation to the Board on an item not on the agenda but desiring it be placed on the agenda must provide notice and written submissions detailing the subject of the presentation to the School Principal at least fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting. Any such presentations shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes in duration, unless otherwise permitted by the Chair.

To view the Board Public Comment Policy, visit the school's "About Us" page at www.connectionsacademy.com

- IV. Routine Business
 - a. Approval of Agenda – J. Flora

- V. Oral Reports
 - a. Principal's Report (Principal's Report attached) – A. Reaves
 - i. Update on Back to School Activities, Staffing and Training
 - ii. Update on Enrollment
 - b. Financial Report (attached) – J. Marhefka
 - i. Update on 2010-2011 School Year Financial Audit

- VI. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of Minutes from the June 15, 2011 Meeting (attached)
 - b. Approval of Staffing Report (attached)
 - c. Approval of 2011-2012 Base Salaries and Incentive Percentage, Career Ladder Positions and Home-Worker Stipends (attached)
 - d. Confirmation of Board Designee on Connections Education Curriculum Advisory Panel
 - e. Approval of Connections Academy Professional Development Plan for the 2011-2012 School Year (attached)
 - f. Ratification of School's 2010-2011 School Year Annual Report (attached)

- VII. Action Items
 - a. Approval of Connections Academy Invoice for June (attached) – G. Prince
 - b. Approval of School Employee Handbook (to follow) – S. Saidi
 - c. Approval of Federal Title Funding Plans for the 2011-2012 School Year (attached) – A. Reaves
 - d. Ratification of Revised Educational Products and Services Agreement with Connections Academy (attached) – S. Saidi

- VIII. Information Items
 - a. Legislative Update – K. Michel
 - b. Contact List of Connections Education Support Team (attached) – M. Wrisley
 - c. Upcoming Board Annual Election – M. Wrisley
 - d. Old and New Business – J. Flora

- IX. Confirmation of Next Meeting and Adjournment – September 21, 2011 at 3:00 p.m.