



**Georgia Connections Academy (GACA)**

**Board Meeting**

**Date and Time:**

Thursday, October 25, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. ET

**Held at the following location (and via teleconference):**

Davios at Phipps Plaza  
3500 Peachtree Road NE  
Atlanta, GA 30326

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.

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**BOARD AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order – R. Thompson
- II. Roll Call – R. Thompson
- III. Mission Statement – R. Thompson

The mission of Georgia Connections Academy is to exemplify a collaborative virtual school where our students meet high expectations through mastery of challenging academic material in preparation for successful college and career experiences.

- IV. Public Comment – R. Thompson

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 leader 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 "Our School Board" page at [www.connectionsacademy.com](http://www.connectionsacademy.com)

- V. Routine Business
  - a. Approval of Agenda – R. Thompson
  
- VI. Oral Reports
  - a. School Leader's Report (MSR attached) – H. Robinson
    - i. Data Dashboard/ Strategic Plan Update (to follow)
    - ii. Final Results on 2017-2018 Goals, State Testing Results and State of the School Report (to follow)
    - iii. CTAE Pathways Update
  - b. Financial Report (attached) – S. Julal/ T. Lee
    - i. 2017-2018 Financial Audit Update (attached)
  
- VII. Board Strategic Development
  - a. EMO Evaluation Update – S. Julal
  
- VIII. Consent Items
  - a. Approval of Minutes from the September 20, 2018 Board Meeting (attached)
  - b. Approval of Staffing Report (attached)
  - c. Approval of Connections Academy of Georgia, LLC Invoices for September (attached)
  - d. Approval of Revision(s) to the Employee Handbook: Short Term Disability Language for Maternity Leave Policy (attached)
  - e. Approval of Board President to Work with the School Leader to Finalize and Submit the Annual Report in Accordance with All Applicable Deadlines
  
- IX. Action Items
  - a. Approval of School Focus Goals for the 2018-2019 School Year (attached) – H. Robinson
  - b. Approval of Board Training and Conference Attendance for the 2018-2019 School Year – M. Arthur
  
- X. Information Items
  - a. State and Strategic Client Relations (SSCR) Update – K. Duquette
  - b. School Leadership Team (PSLT) Update – B. Rosta/ A. Solesby
    - i. School Operations Metrics (attached)
  
- XI. Adjournment and Confirmation of Next Meeting Date – Thursday, November 15, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. ET
  
- XII. Social Board Dinner to Follow at Same Location