



Georgia Connections Academy (GACA)

Board Meeting

Date and Time:

Thursday, January 15, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. ET

Held at the following location (and via teleconference):

Georgia Connections Academy
2763 Meadow Church Road, Suite 208
Duluth, GA 30097

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 – A. Hug
- II. Roll Call – A. Hug
- III. Mission Statement – A. Hug

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 – A. Hug

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 "About Us" page at www.connectionsacademy.com

- V. Routine Business
 - a. Approval of Agenda – A. Hug
- VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-3 – to discuss records made exempt from public inspection or disclosure pursuant to Article 4 of Chapter 18 (to follow) – A. Hug/ H. Robinson
- VII. Oral Reports
 - a. Principal's Report (MSR) – H. Robinson
 - i. Dashboard/ Media Clips and Marketing (to follow)
 - ii. Update on State Specific School Handbook: Abusive LC/ Caretaker Policy
 - iii. Quarterly Metrics Report (to follow)
 - iv. Update on Testing Technology Purchase
 - b. Financial Report (attached) – S. Julal/S. Soltz
- VIII. Board Strategic Development
 - a. EMO Evaluation – A. Hug/S. Julal
 - b. Strategic Development Training Summary (attached) – A. Hug
- IX. Consent Items
 - a. Approval of Minutes from the November 20, 2014 Meeting (attached)
 - b. Approval of Staffing Report (attached)
 - c. Approval of School Enrollment Opening for the 2015-2016 School Year
 - d. Approval of Agreements for Student Enrollment for 2015-2016 School Year: Regulatory Program Description, Parent /Legal Guardian (Caretaker) Acknowledgement and Designated Learning Coach Agreement (attached)
 - e. Approval of Revision(s) to the 2014-2015 School Year State Specific School Handbook: Grievance Policy (attached)
 - f. Approval of the 2015-2016 School Year General School Handbook (attached)
 - g. Approval of the 2015-2016 School Year State Specific School Handbook (attached)
 - h. Approval of Pay Pal Proposal (attached)
- X. Action Items
 - a. Approval of Connections Academy of Georgia, LLC Invoices for November and December (attached) – S. Julal
 - b. Approval of Funded Enrollment Target for the 2015-2016 School Year – H. Robinson
- XI. Information Items
 - a. State Relations Update – J. Ragley
 - b. Upcoming LiveLesson® Sessions – M. Arthur
- XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-3 – to discuss the employment, compensation or periodic evaluation of an employee (attached) – J. Brown/R. Graver
- XIII. Adjournment and Next Meeting Date – February 19, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.