



Georgia Connections Academy (GACA)

Board Meeting

Date and Time:

Thursday, October 20, 2016 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 "Our School Board" page at www.connectionsacademy.com

- V. Routine Business
 - a. Approval of Agenda – A. Hug

- VI. Oral Reports
 - a. School Leader's Report (MSR attached) – H. Robinson
 - i. Data Dashboard (to follow)
 - ii. State of the School Report (to follow)
 - b. Financial Report (attached) – S. Julal/S. Soltz
 - i. FY16 Financial Framework Update (to follow)

- VII. Board Strategic Development
 - a. Performance Framework Update – H. Robinson
 - i. Mission Goal Discussion
 - b. Engagement of Independent Consultant to Analyze Student Data – A. Hug
 - c. Update on Board Training – H. Robinson

- VIII. Consent Items
 - a. Approval of Minutes from the September 15, 2016 Board Meeting (attached)
 - b. Approval of Minutes from the September 27, 2016 Special Board Meeting (attached)
 - c. Approval of Staffing Report (attached)
 - d. Approval of Enrollment Opening for the 2017-2018 School Year
 - e. Approval of Revisions to the 2016-2017 School Year State Specific School Handbook: Advanced Placement Testing (to follow)
 - f. 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 Connections Academy of Georgia, LLC Invoice for September (attached) – S. Julal

- X. Information Items
 - a. State Relations Update – J. Ragley
 - b. Partner School Leadership Team Update – A. Reaves
 - i. School Operations Metrics (attached)
 - c. Agreements for Student Enrollment for 2017-2018 School Year: Parent/Legal Guardian (Caretaker) Acknowledgement, Regulatory Program Description, Caretaker Designee Agreement and Designated Learning Coach Agreement (attached) – A. Reaves
 - d. 2016-2017 School Year Items for Board Consideration (attached) – M. Arthur

- XI. Adjournment and Next Meeting Date – October 20, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.