



Georgia Connections Academy (GACA)
Board Meeting
Date and Time:
Thursday, April 20, 2017 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 (attached)
 - ii. Graduation Plans and End of Year Activities Update
 - iii. State Testing Update
 - iv. Telecommunication Services Update (to follow)
 - v. School Calendar and Staff Communications Update
 - b. Financial Report (attached) – S. Julal/ S. Soltz
 - i. HB 65 Annual Operating Budget Requirements

- VII. Board Strategic Development
 - a. Performance Framework Update (attached) – A. Hug
 - b. Updates to Board Strategic Plan (to follow) – A. Hug
 - c. Fundraising Update – H. Robinson

- VIII. Consent Items
 - a. Approval of Minutes from the February 16, 2017 Board Meeting (attached)
 - b. Approval of Minutes from the March 8, 2017 Special Board Meeting (attached)
 - c. Approval of Minutes from the April 5, 2017 Strategic Planning Session (to follow)
 - d. Approval of Staffing Report (attached)
 - e. Approval of LiveTutor Invoice(s) (attached)
 - f. Approval of School Calendar for the 2017-2018 School Year (attached)
 - g. Approval of Staff Compensation Plan for the 2017-2018 School Year (attached)
 - h. Approval of Employee Handbook Revision(s) (attached)

- IX. Action Items
 - a. Approval of Connections Academy of Georgia, LLC Invoices for February and March (attached) – S. Julal

- X. Information Items
 - a. State Relations Update (attached) – K. Duquette
 - b. School Leadership Team (PSLT) Update – A. Reaves
 - i. School Operations Metrics (attached)
 - c. Curriculum for the 2017-2018 School Year (attached) – A. Reaves
 - d. Board Planning for the 2017-2018 School Year – M. Arthur
 - i. Board Composition
 - ii. Proposed Meeting Schedule

- XI. Adjournment and Next Meeting Date – April 20, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.