

SOUTHEASTERN EARLY COLLEGE AND CAREER ACADEMY, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
January 8, 2025

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bruce Asberry, Community Member
Larry Calhoun, President, Southeastern Technical College
Debbie Evans, Greater Vidalia Chamber
Fred Godbee, Business Representative
Michele Johnson, SECCA Board Chair, Greater Vidalia Chamber
Dr. Tim Smith, Community Representative
Kelly Tippett, Parent Representative, Vidalia City Schools
Andy Woodruff, Toombs County Parent Representative

MEMBERS UNABLE TO ATTEND:

Ronald Baker, Parent Representative, Treutlen County
Holt Barwick, Business Representative
Andy Blount, Vidalia Board Representative
Chris Hartley, Business Representative
Dr. Rhonda Hightower, Superintendent, Montgomery County Schools
Andy Kimbell, STC Board Representative
Henry Price, Board Representative, Montgomery County Schools
Dr. Sandi Reid, Superintendent, Vidalia City Schools
Dr. Susan Stone, Superintendent, Treutlen County Schools
Barry Waller, Superintendent, Toombs County Schools
Clint Williams, Board Representative, Toombs County Schools

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

John Sharpe, CEO at SECCA, Director of High School Programs
Sabrina Campbell, SECCA Marketing Director
Amy Gillies, Drone Instructor, FLEX Coordinator
Sabrina Phelps, Program Manager, TCSG

Michelle Johnson, SECCA Board Chair, called the meeting of the Southeastern Early College and Career Academy, Inc. (SECCA) Board of Directors to order. Dr. Tim Smith gave the invocation. On a motion by Fred Godbee, seconded by Dr. Tim Smith, to approve the agenda and the minutes. Motion was approved. The Vision and Goals were reviewed.

In the Directors Report, Mr. Sharpe gave thanked the Board for the new pay scale for SECCA teachers, and felt it would her recruit quality professionals. He informed the Board the Mrs. Roberts was extending her stay as the Energy teacher. Mr. Calhoun gave an update on the plans for construction for the additional lab and classrooms at SECCA. Amy Gillies gave an update on The FLEX program, and reported that four students

would be presenting at the Economic Development Center, and the top three contestants would be selected. All Board members were invited to attend the FLEX Showcase.

Sabrina Phelps, Director for College and Career Academies in the Southeastern Section of the state, provided Board training for our staff. Board members were presented a list of high demand career list for our area. We also looked at the career pathways offered at SECCA and out four home schools. There was discussion on the impact the list should have on selecting courses taught at SECCA. The meeting was adjourned.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting will be held in March 24th, 2025.

Michele Johnson, Chair

John Sharpe, Secretary