

**SOUTHEASTERN EARLY COLLEGE AND CAREER ACADEMY, INC.**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**  
**November 21, 2019**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

**Larry Calhoun**, President, STC  
**Barry Waller**, Superintendent Toombs County Schools  
**Henry Price**, Board Representative, Montgomery County

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

**Andy Kimbell**, Business Representative  
**Don Betts**, Business Representative  
**Kelly Tippett**, Parent Representative, Vidalia City Schools  
**Tommy Smith**, Parent Representative, Toombs County Schools  
**Clint Williams**, Board Representative, Toombs County  
**Chris Hartley**, Business Representative  
**Fred Godbee**, Business Representative  
**Melissa Barrow**, Parent Representative, Montgomery County  
**Debbie Evans**, Business Representative  
**Michele Johnson**, Business Representative

**MEMBERS UNABLE TO ATTEND:**

**Allen Rice**, Business Representative  
**Bruce Asberry**, Board Representative, Vidalia City Schools BOE  
**Ronald Baker**, Parent Representative, Treutlen County  
**Josh Kelly**, Board Representative, Treutlen County

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

**Shelly Smith**, CEO, SECCA  
**David Avery**, High School Director, SECCA  
**Tim Smith**, Advisor  
**Donna Collins**, SECCA Instructor  
**Scott Barrow**, Principal Montgomery County High School  
**Sabrina Campbell**, Special Programs Coordinator

Chair Henry Price called the meeting of the Southeastern Early College and Career Academy, Inc. (SECCA) Board of Directors to order at 6:00 pm. Tim Smith offered an invocation, and the board reviewed the school vision and goals. On a motion by Don Betts and second by Fred Godbee, the board approved the agenda. On a motion by Andy Kimbell and second by Fred Godbee, the board approved the October 17, 2019 meeting minutes.

David Avery presented enrollment and cost data for fall semester. Enrollment was reported at 429 students with a \$575 per segment cost of operation. The State reimbursement per segment for CTAE classes is \$549 in FY20, so the local contribution for SECCA classes is only \$26 per student per segment.

Shelly Smith explained the opportunity to hire a part-time drone instructor for second semester, allowing students who passed the first two drone classes in FY 19 to complete the pathway in FY20. A Vidalia High engineering teacher has agreed to work for extended day to teach a first block drone class. On a motion by Don Betts and second by Fred Godbee, the board approved the budget revision to hire a part-time drone instructor.

Donna Collins, Work-Based Learning Coordinator for SECCA, presented data on the SECCA Work-Based Learning Program, including Youth Apprenticeships. SECCA now has 113 Work-Based Learning students employed in three school districts. She also informed the board about the Registered Apprenticeship, a new and more structured form of apprenticeship in Georgia. She challenged board members to assist in the establishment of a local Registered Apprenticeship Program.

David Avery shared current SECCA activities including Student Spotlight and the 12 Days of SECCA with gift card drawings every day. The Thunderbolts had performed at the Veteran's Day celebrations and were readying for the Christmas parades. SECCA Energy Pathway students will celebrate Women in Nuclear Energy Month in February. Montgomery County Schools received the Innovative Award from Georgia School Board Association for its collaboration with SECCA on the development of the PLUS Program. Harry Moses Construction Company was named Business Partner of the Month for November.

Larry Calhoun shared information on the needs assessment to be conducted for the Perkins Grant in FY21. He distributed a paper survey to each meeting attendee, requesting that they complete the form and return it to STC.

On a motion by Fred Godbee and second by Andy Kimbell, the meeting was adjourned.

### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next meeting will be held January 16, 2020 at 6:00 pm.

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Henry Price, Chair

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Shelly Smith, Secretary