

SOUTHEASTERN EARLY COLLEGE AND CAREER ACADEMY, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
December 13, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Debbie Evans, Toombs-Montgomery Chamber
Fred Godbee, Business Representative
Chris Hartley, Business Representative
Michele Johnson, SECCA Board Chair, Toombs-Montgomery Chamber
Henry Price, Board Representative, Montgomery County
Kelly Tippett, Parent Representative, Vidalia City Schools
Clint Williams, Board Representative, Toombs County

MEMBERS UNABLE TO ATTEND:

Brad Anderson, Superintendent, Treutlen County Schools
Bruce Asberry, Vidalia City BOR Representative
Ronald Baker, Parent Representative, Treutlen County
Melissa Barrow, Montgomery County Parent
Holt Barwick, Business Representative
Don Betts, Business Representative
Larry Calhoun, Southeastern Technical College, President
Josh Kelly, Board Representative, Treutlen County
Andy Kimbell, STC Board Representative
Stan Rentz, Superintendent, Montgomery County Schools
Barry Waller, Superintendent, Toombs County Schools
Garrett Wilcox, Superintendent, Vidalia City Schools

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

John Sharpe, CEO at SECCA, Director of High School Programs
Sabrina Campbell, SECCA Marketing Director

Michelle Johnson, Board Chair, called the meeting of the Southeastern Early College and Career Academy, Inc. (SECCA) Board of Directors to order at 12:00 pm. Fred Godbee offered an invocation. On a motion by Fred Godbee and second by Henry Price, the board approved the agenda and the minutes. The Vision and Goals were reviewed.

Michelle Johnson, Board Chair, presented the Conflict of Interest Policy, and each Board member was asked to sign, agreeing to adhere to the terms and conditions of the policy.

Mr. Sharpe presented the Director's Report.

- 96 students are enrolled in the Work-Based Learning program. The students have worked 29,983 hours and earned \$278,131 so far this semester. The average wage is \$9.28 an hour.

- The Teachers as a Profession program has 30 students placed in classrooms in our area schools. Teachers have given positive feedback on their students, and report a few students have decided to change their major to Education when they go to college.
- Automotive students are learning how to solder. Ten students have already received their ASE certification this semester.
- The JROTC cadets helped in hosting the Veterans Day Program and participated in three Christmas Parades. Three Cadets have already graduated Basic Training and have enlisted in the National Guard and will be attending Georgia Southern next fall.
- Energy Pathway students have earned 49 Certificates so far this school year. Students visited South Georgia Technical College for their Line worker program, Plant Hatch, Atlanta Gas Light Service Center in Savannah and attended Klondike Energy Day in Savannah. The class also welcomed guest speakers from Altamaha EMC, Trane, Southern Nuclear, GPC Learning Power and a Nuclear Regulatory Commission representative. The class also received a \$15,015 GPC Workforce grant.
- The Unmanned Aircraft Pathway students toured Vidalia Regional Airport and met Senator Blake Tillery. The students attended and filmed the Association of General Contractors Competition and are filming the progress of the new turf at the Vidalia Football field.
- Healthcare students finished their unit on vital signs and mastered the ability to check blood pressure, check pulses and respiration rates and obtain a temperature. They worked on building their resume and covered a section on the importance of communication.

Mr. Sharpe then updated the Board on potential new Pathways and reported on the new Chromebooks and cart that have been purchased.

Fred Godbee motioned for the meeting to be adjourned. Seconded by Henry Price. Motion passed.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting will be held Thursday, January 26th, 2023 at 6:00 pm, and will be hosted by Montgomery County. Refreshments and a quick tour of the school will follow the meeting.

Michele Johnson, Chair

John Sharpe, Secretary