

## Tall Pines STEM Academy Board Meeting Agenda

Meeting Jan 18, 2024

Location: Tall Pines STEM Academy, Aiken, South Carolina

Commencement Time: 5:00 P.M. Presiding: Mandy Sims

### 1. Meeting Opening:

- Welcome and Mission Statement

*"The mission of Tall Pines STEM Academy is to provide an option for families where STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) is intertwined in the school's culture and prepares middle school students to become the next generation of ethical leaders. Tall Pines STEM Academy will provide a combination of classroom and outdoor learning experiences to engage students, promote wellness and physical fitness, inspire creativity, foster critical thinking and problem solving skills, and cultivate citizenship and leadership skills through rigorous and relevant content and projects in a natural setting."*

- Call Roll and Establish Quorum

Cheryl Fogle, Joel Stewart, Jeremy Greene, Kelly Schepens, David Tamburello, Michelle Lorio, Mandy Sims, Jennifer Minolfo, Melissa McKnight

- Public Comments

*Please note that the official meeting of the board is by law a public meeting and the board values citizen input; however, in order to protect the integrity of the agenda, public dialogue will be restricted to the "Public Comments" section of the agenda or as directed by the board chair. Each speaker has 2 minutes and speakers may not ask questions of the Board Members. Board members may not engage speakers in discussion. Disruptive behavior and personal attacks aimed at students, staff or board members are not permitted.*

### 2. Old Business

Reviewed new board member requirements/status

- i. Conflict of Interest policy
- ii. Background Checks
- iii. Access to Google Drive and TPSA email
- iv. Required Charter School training
- v. Signature Authority - Treasurer

### 3. Matters for Decision:

- Need to approve meeting minutes from November 2023
- Need to approve monthly financials from October 2023, November 2023, December 2023.
- Review board term limits for current board members
- Adjourn to Executive discussion (as necessary for Legal, Personnel, or Contract matters)

### 4. Matters for Discussion:

- Fundraising Committee Update
- Attendance Policy Updates
- 2024-2025 School Calendar
- Board Member attendance - Virtual option
- Audit Review
- TPSA Lottery

### 5. Matters for Noting:

- School/Principal's Update

### 6. Meeting Finalization:

- Review actions to be taken
- Next Meeting – Feb 20, 2024