



MINUTES

Commission Meeting
July 26, 2024
Chattanooga State Community College
Chattanooga, TN

Video Recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o9qNBGG1zuw>

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Welcome and Call-to-Order

00:00:00-00:03:40

Chris Richards, Commission Chairman, called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Action of the Commission

Roll Call/Quorum	
Michael Carter	Absent
Tom Griscom	Present
Alan Levine	Absent
Terence Patterson	Present
Eddie Smith	Absent
Lauren Smith	Present
Chris Tutor	Present
Jamie Woodson	Present
Chris Richards	Present
Outcome: 6 of 9 present; quorum established	

Approval of Agenda

Action of the Commission

Approval of Meeting Agenda	
Motion made by: Terence Patterson Seconded by: Tom Griscom	
Michael Carter	Absent
Tom Griscom	Yes
Alan Levine	Absent
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Absent
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Tutor	Yes
Jamie Woodson	Yes



Chris Richards	Yes
Outcome: 6 of 9 voting; agenda approved	

Approval of Prior Minutes

Action of the Commission

Approval of Prior Minutes from March 22, 2024	
Motion made by: Tom Griscom Seconded by: Terence Patterson	
Michael Carter	Absent
Tom Griscom	Yes
Alan Levine	Absent
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Absent
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Tutor	Yes
Jamie Woodson	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes
Outcome: 6 of 9 voting; minutes approved	

Public Comment

There were no requests for public comments.

Business Operations Committee Report

00:03:40-00:07:18

Jamie Woodson, Acting Committee Chairman, recognized Melanie Harrell to present budget updates and 2025 meeting dates.

Action of the Commission:

Motion to approve the FY25 amended budget	
Motion made by: Jamie Woodson Seconded by: Lauren Smith	
Michael Carter	Absent
Tom Griscom	Yes
Alan Levine	Absent
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Absent
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Tutor	Yes
Jamie Woodson	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes
Outcome: 6 of 9 voting; motion is approved	

Action of the Commission:

Motion to approve the FY26 proposed budget	
Motion made by: Jamie Woodson Seconded by: Lauren Smith	
Michael Carter	Absent
Tom Griscom	Yes
Alan Levine	Absent
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Absent
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Tutor	Yes
Jamie Woodson	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes
Outcome: 6 of 9 voting; motion is approved	

Action of the Commission:

Motion to approve the 2025 meeting dates with understanding the October meeting will be determined after Commissioners provide feedback	
Motion made by: Jamie Woodson Seconded by: Terence Patterson	
Michael Carter	Absent
Tom Griscom	Yes
Alan Levine	Absent
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Absent
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Tutor	Yes
Jamie Woodson	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes
Outcome: 6 of 9 voting; motion is approved	

Rules, Policy, and Governance Report

00:07:18-00:08:55

Chris Tutor, Committee Chairman, recognized Ashley Thomas to present LEA policy updates on first and final reading.

Action of the Commission:

Motion to approve the LEA policy consent agenda on first and final reading	
Motion made by: Chris Tutor Seconded by: Jamie Woodson	
Michael Carter	Absent
Tom Griscom	Yes
Alan Levine	Absent
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Absent
Lauren Smith	Yes

Chris Tutor	Yes
Jamie Woodson	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes
Outcome: 6 of 9 voting; motion is approved	

School Performance and Accountability Committee Report **00:08:55-00:10:56**

Terence Patterson, Committee Chairman, recognized Beth Figueroa to present a wrap up of SY23-24, a preview of SY24-25 school year, and SY24-25 school year special populations plan.

Strategic Plan Update **00:10:56-00:13:12**

Chris Richards, Chairman, recognized Drejean Cummings to present the strategic plan update.

Federal Grants Overview **00:13:12-00:42:46**

Chris Richards, Chairman, recognized Melanie Harrell and Nate Parker to present an overview of federal grants.

Charter School Landscape **00:42:46-01:08:50**

Chris Richards, Chairman, recognized Rebecca Ledebuhr to present the charter school landscape.

New Start Appeals Overview **01:08:50-01:25:07**

Chris Richards, Chairman, recognized Beth Figueroa and Ashley Thomas to present the new start appeals process and preview of work for October.

Executive Director Updates **01:25:07-01:26:46**

Chris Richards, Chairman, recognized Tess Stovall to present the Executive Director updates.

Adjournment **01:26:46-01:27:12**

Action of the Commission

Motion to adjourn meeting	
Motion made by: Chris Tutor Seconded by: Jamie Woodson	
Michael Carter	Absent
Tom Griscom	Yes
Alan Levine	Absent
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Absent
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Tutor	Yes
Jamie Woodson	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes
Outcome: 6 of 9 voting; motion approved	

Chris Richards, Chairman, adjourned the meeting.