

**Georgia Student Finance Commission
Board of Commissioners
APPROVED Meeting Minutes
8/7/2015**

Georgia Student Finance Commission
Executive Board Room
2082 E. Exchange Place
Tucker, Georgia 30084

Members

Don Howard, Chair
Middleton Ramsey
Anna Chafin
Faison Middleton
Thomas Bowen
Laura Morgan
Linda McWhorter

Dr. Sarah Beck Hawthorne, Vice Chair
David Austin
Dr. Patricia Burd
Roy Kilpatrick
Joy Lampley-Fortson
John Coleman

- I. **Call to Order and Welcome**
The meeting was called to order by Don Howard, Chair at 11:53 a.m.
- II. **Attendance Report**
An Attendance Report was read by Monica Cherry. All Board of Commissioners were present with the exception of Laura Morgan, Mid Ramsey, Faison Middleton and Dr. Sarah Beck Hawthorne. The Seventh Congressional District is vacant.
- III. **Approval of Agenda**
The Agenda for the August 7, 2015 meeting of the Georgia Student Finance Commission Board of Commissioners was approved as distributed.
Motion made by: David Austin
Motion seconded by: Tom Bowen
Voting: Unanimously Approved
- IV. **Approval of Minutes**
The minutes from the May 1, 2015 Georgia Student Finance Commission Board of Commissioners meetings were approved as distributed.
Voting: Unanimously Approved
- V. **President's Report to the Board**
President Tricia Chastain reported on Agency operations to the members of the Board.

VI. Discussion and Acceptance of Committee Reports

The Board of Commissioners of the Georgia Student Finance Commission accepted the reports and recommendations as presented by the Chair of each Committee

- Committee on Finance and Business Operations
 - o No Action Items
- Committee on Public Policy and Law
 - o Board Bylaws Revisions - APPROVED
 - o Changes to FY 2016 State Program Regulations – APPROVED
 - o Ratify Changes to FY 2016 State Program Regulations - APPROVED
 - o HOPE Scholarship Program Exception Requests-APPROVED

VII. Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the Georgia Student Finance Commission Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

Motion made by: Dr. Patricia Burd

Motion seconded by: Tom Bowen

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**Georgia Student Finance Authority
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III. Approval of Agenda

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Motion made by: Anna Chafin

Motion seconded by: Tom Bowen

Voting: Unanimously Approved

IV. Approval of Minutes

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Voting: Unanimously Approved

V. Discussion and Acceptance of Committee Reports

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- Committee on Finance and Business Operations
 - o REACH Georgia Foundation, Inc. Board Members (2 Year Terms) – APPROVED
 - o REACH Georgia Foundation, Inc. Board Members (3-Year Terms) - APPROVED
- Committee on Public Policy and Law
 - o Board Bylaws Revisions - APPROVED

- Changes to FY 2016 State Program Regulations – APPROVED
- Ratify Changes to FY 2016 State Program Regulations - APPROVED
- HOPE Scholarship Program Exception Requests – APPROVED

VI. Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the Georgia Student Finance Authority Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 12:09 p.m.

Motion made by: David Austin

Motion seconded by: Tom Bowen

Voting: Unanimously Approved

**Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation
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III. Approval of Agenda

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Motion made by: John Coleman

Motion seconded by: Dr. Patricia Burd

Voting: Unanimously Approved

IV. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the May 1, 2015 Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation Board of Directors meetings were approved as distributed.

Voting: Unanimously Approved

V. Discussion and Acceptance of Committee Reports

The Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation accepted the reports and recommendations as presented by the Chair of each Committee

- Committee on Finance and Business Operations
 - o No Action Items
- Committee on Public Policy and Law
 - o Board Bylaws Revisions - APPROVED

VI. Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the Georgia Higher Education Assistance Corporation Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

Motion made by: John Coleman

Motion seconded by: Dr. Patricia Burd

Voting: Unanimously Approved