

**Georgia Student Finance Commission
Board of Commissioners
APPROVED Meeting Minutes
5/1/2015**

Georgia Southern University
Nessmith-Lane Conference Center
847 Plant Drive
Statesboro, Georgia 30458

Members

Dr. Patricia Burd, Chair
Middleton Ramsey
Jonathan Pannell
Faison Middleton
Thomas Bowen
Laura Morgan
Linda McWhorter

Dr. Sarah Beck Hawthorne
David Austin
Don Howard
Roy Kilpatrick
Joy Lampley-Fortson
John Coleman

- I. **Call to Order and Welcome**
The meeting was called to order by Dr. Patricia Burd, Chair at 10:22 a.m.
- II. **Attendance Report**
An Attendance Report was read by Monica Cherry. All Board of Commissioners were present with the exception of Jonathan Pannell, Laura Morgan, Tom Bowen and Joy Lampley-Fortson. The Seventh Congressional District is vacant.
- III. **Approval of Agenda**
The Agenda for the May 1, 2015 meeting of the Georgia Student Finance Commission Board of Commissioners was approved as distributed.
Motion made by: David Austin
Motion seconded by: Dr. Sarah Beck Hawthorne
Voting: Unanimously Approved
- IV. **Approval of Minutes**
The minutes from the February 6, 2015 Georgia Student Finance Commission Board of Commissioners meeting was approved as distributed.
Motion made by: Don Howard
Motion seconded by: David Austin
Voting: Unanimously Approved
- V. **Approval of Meeting Dates for FY 2015-2016**
Board meetings are held quarterly on the first Friday in the months of February, May, August and November. The proposed schedule for FY 2015-2016 is as follows:
Friday, August 7, 2015 (Tucker)
Friday, November 6, 2015 (Tucker)
Friday, February 5, 2016 (Tucker)
Thursday and Friday, May 5-6, 2016 (Location to be determined)

Motion made by: Faison Middleton
Motion seconded by: Don Howard
Voting: Unanimously Approved

VI. President's Report to the Board

President Tricia Chastain reported on Agency operations to the members of the Board.

VII. 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 FY 2015 Amended and FY 2016 Budgets – Subject to Approval by the Governor, the Committee recommends the approval of the Amended 2015 and FY 2016 Operating Budgets of the Georgia Student Finance Commission - Approved
- Committee on Public Policy and Law
 - o 2015-2016 State Scholarship, Grant and Loan Program Regulations – Subject to Approval by the Governor, the Committee recommended the approval of the 2015-2016 State Scholarship, Grant and Loan Program Regulations as presented and to authorize staff to make any non-substantive and grammatical corrections to the final version of each regulation - Approved
 - o HOPE Scholarship Program Exception Requests - Approved
- Strategic Planning Committee of the Whole
 - o No Action Items
- Committee on Executive and Compensation
 - o Election of Officers for the July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 Term - Approved

VIII. Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the Georgia Student Finance Commission Board of Commissioners meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Motion made by: Dr. Sarah Beck Hawthorne

Motion seconded by: Mid Ramsey

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 - o REACH Georgia Foundation, Inc. Board Appointments – Approved
 - Two-Year Terms, Effective July 1, 2015
 - Jennifer Rippner
 - Chantal Bagwell
 - Laura Morgan
 - Susanna Baxter
 - Chris Carpenter
 - Henry Turner
 - Anne Kaiser
 - Three-Year Terms, Effective July 1, 2015
 - James Hull
 - Barbarella Diaz
 - Sachin Shailendra
 - Kessel Sterling
 - Beth Shiroishi
 - Jose Perez
 - Stephanie Blank
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Motion made by: Don Howard

Motion seconded by: Roy Kilpatrick

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