



Vision

Empowering students to explore global learning opportunities to promote and enrich their communities and the communities we serve.

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Purpose

Somerset Academy, Inc. promotes a transformational culture that maximizes student achievement and the development of accountable, global learners in a safe and enriching environment that fosters high-quality education.

Meeting of the Board of Directors June 26, 2024

Board of Directors

Todd German (Board Chair / Treasurer) *(Present)*
Ana Mendez (Vice-Chair / Secretary) *(Present)*
David Concepcion *(Present)*
Matthew Cox *(Present)*
Taylor Smith *(Present)*

Non-Voting Officers

Bernie Montero, President *(Present)*
Suzette Ruiz, Vice-President *(Present)*

Board Counsel

Charles Gibson, Esq. *(Absent)*
Eleni Noble Zarbalas, Esq. *(Absent)*

In an effort to allow greater public participation and to best accommodate stakeholders, this meeting was held via communications media technology with physical access sites at each of the individual school campuses throughout Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, St. Lucie, Duval and Monroe Counties.

Minutes

1. Opening Exercises

- a. Called to Order at 11:02am
- b. Established a Quorum

2. **Public Comment** – None

3. **Consent Agenda** (*All items listed with letter designations are considered routine and were enacted by one motion.*)

- a. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Minutes from the June 11, 2024 Board of Directors Meeting.

4. **Action & Discussion Items**

a. Comments by the Board Chair

i. New Principal Assignments

1. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to assign Erica Rains as the Principal of Somerset Career Academy.

Motion to approve by Ana Mendez; second by Taylor Smith; motion passed unanimously

2. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to assign Pilar Piedrahita as the Principal of Somerset Academy Lakes Charter School, subject to the approval of the SLAM Board assigning her as Principal of the SLAM school which shares the same campus.

Motion to approve by Ana Mendez; second by Matt Cox; motion passed unanimously

b. Financial Report (*Alina Chester*)

- i. **APPROVED:** The Board reviewed & approved the Final 2023-2024 Annual Budgets.

- ii. **APPROVED:** The Board reviewed & approved the Proposed 2024-2025 Annual Budgets.

Motion to approve by David Concepcion; second by Taylor Smith; motion passed unanimously

c. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the following School Project Requests:

i. Somerset Pines

1. Cafeteria Bathrooms \$20,723

2. Field & Irrigation \$24,750

ii. Somerset Pompano

1. Breakfast/Lunch Area Awning \$29,146

2. PE/Recess Field Coverage \$38,850

3. PE/Recess Turf \$30,206

Motion to approve by Taylor Smith; second by David Concepcion; motion passed unanimously

d. Other Items by Board Members, Staff, or ESP

- i. Special thanks to Clint Duvo for all his time and service.

5. **Announcements & Notifications**

- a. Next Board Meeting: July 16th via Zoom

6. **Adjourned Meeting at 11:40am**

The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she is an Officer and/or Director of SOMERSET ACADEMY, INC., a not-for-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, and that the above is a true and correct copy of the meeting minutes of the Board of Directors of said corporation.

The minutes were adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting held on July 17, 2024.

SOMERSET ACADEMY, INC.

A Florida not-for-profit corporation