

# Meeting Minutes



<b>Meeting Type:</b> Public Board meeting	<b>October 8, 2011</b>
<p><u>Board Members Present:</u> Kristina Eisenhardt, Calvin Stamps, Maher Budeir, Lloyd Smith, Carrie Doulfikhar, Andrea Cooper Gatewood, Nada Diab, Shuaib Ahmed</p> <p><u>Board Members Absent:</u> MajdAlmoayd,</p>	<p>Recorder: Kristina Eisenhardt Start: 9:14 AM End: 12:10 PM</p>

<b>DISCUSSION TOPICS</b>	<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>
<p><u>GCSA Conference</u> 1.5 days in Macon. Good Sessions-Student surveys, discipline, school funding, iPads, etc will present to LDC. Won The Charter School of the Year! Received a check from Coca-Cola for \$50,000. Congrats to all that made this happen.</p> <p><u>Fund Development</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Are we a fund development board? What do we need to become a fund development board? The Board is to be the highest Ambassadors the school has. We are trying hard to make fund development a normal part of our work, but admittedly it is very time consuming.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shauib to work on how to proceed with Fund development for the Board.</li> </ol>
<p><u>Director's Report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Amana to be in the Top 5% of schools in the nation</b>-What does it mean? How do the test scores fit into this? Criterion referenced tests-CRCT-90+ percentile, Norm referenced-ITBS-60-70 percentile. Map testing is both. State testing is flawed and a moving target. We need to maximize the state targets and focus on other targets to hit the higher for the norm-referenced tests.</li> <li><b>School Improvement Plan</b>- Last year was Math and Social Studies. Achieved a 3 year goal in 1 year. This year-maintain scores from last year and 5<sup>th</sup> grade Social Studies and Science. At about an 80% need to be 88% or above. Introducing bench mark testing-OAS. These should be easily implementable and trackable.</li> <li><b>Financials</b>- As of the end of August, \$200,000 in cash and \$500,000 in deposits. We won't get the leveled budget until October because of the 10 day count. Pam to send out budget and P&amp;L. We should receive the revised budget back this week. Just submitted Audit to the county. We need to identify who can make some deposits.</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Send out Budget, P&amp;L to Board.</li> <li>Send out audit results to the Board.</li> <li>Work on issue found in Financial Audit for separation of duties.</li> </ol>
<p><u>Governance</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Board O&amp;E Insurance- maxing out coverage.</li> <li>Circulate Board Structure for edits.</li> <li>SPLOST- Fulton County schools for penny sales tax in existence</li> </ul>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kristina to work with Liz for Insurance Summary to present to LDC</li> <li>Finalize Committee Chart</li> </ol>

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<p>for 1 penny. Allows for continuation of our funding formula. \$912 million over 5 years. Our only hope is through budgets not direct cash. Tie bond funding to maybe a referendum from FCS. They maybe able to issue financing through the FC?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fulton County looking at becoming a Charter School system. On their website they have particulars. 5 year process. Must still stay with the school in your neighborhood.</li> <li>• Adding to the Board-Outside community members to join the board.</li> </ul>	
<p><u>Real Estate (new building search)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting with the extended crew of parents. Add external folks to make the process easier. It's about Alpharetta not Windward.</li> <li>• We are pursuing a Plan B and Plan C in case Plan A doesn't work.</li> </ul>	
<p><u>Community Feedback</u></p>	