

**Oglethorpe Charter School  
Governing Board Meeting Agenda  
November 1, 2021**

**Open Session**

**5:00 p.m.**

**1. Welcome**

**Lisa Reavis**

**2. Approve Agenda**

**3. Approval of September Meeting Minutes**

**4. Financial Report**

**Thomas C Buchanan**

**5. Presidents Report**

**Lisa Reavis**

**6. Administrators Report**

**Kevin Wall**

**7. Closed Session**

# **OGLETHORPE CHARTER SCHOOL**

## **Governing Board Meeting**

**November 1, 2021**

**Board Members Present:** Lisa Reavis, Patrick Dean, Connor Buchanan, Regina Rahimi, Jonathan Brown, Matt Dowling, Dawn Deppen

**Board Members Absent:** Jon Cohen, Chris Hintz, Shanequa Gresham, Sam Carter

**Principal Present:** Kevin Wall

**Open Session:** Called to order at 5:00pm by Lisa Reavis

**Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda: Jonathan Brown

Motion to second: Connor Buchanan

Motion unanimously passed

**Approval of September 27, 2021 meeting minutes:**

Motion to approve: Matt Dowling

Motion to second: Regina Rahimi

Motion unanimously passed

**Financial report was presented by Connor Buchanan**

**President's Report:** None

**Principal's Report:** Mr. Wall stated we have been asked by the State to develop a Board remediation plan to be submitted by December 1<sup>st</sup> to ensure board members achieve all mandatory training hours for this school year. Lisa Reavis added we will make progress monitoring for training completion an agenda item for all upcoming governing board meetings this school year to help ensure all board members complete required hours.

See following memo to Board taken from Principal's notes:

To: OCS Governing Board

From: Kevin Wall

Date: November 1, 2021

**TSA Grill and Chill October 7<sup>th</sup>:** This Grill and Chill will be a reward event for students that meet the following criteria:

- No OSS or ISS since the beginning of the school year
- No referrals during the time period of Monday, 9/20, till Thursday, 10/7
- No cell phone violations during the time period of Monday, 9/20, till Thursday, 10/7
- No more than 3 Temporary IDs during the time period of Monday, 9/20, till Thursday, 10/7

- No more than 3 unexcused tardies during the time period of Monday, 9/20 till Thursday, 10/7
- Has not been spoken to repeatedly about wearing a hoodie or wearing a mask properly during the time period of Monday, 9/20 till Thursday, 10/7

IDs may be purchased from the Media Center (\$5 new ID/\$1 hard case/\$1 lanyard)  
I will be asking team leaders for a list of students' names of the hoodie and mask violators on Monday, 10/4.

**Family Contract:** The founders of Oglethorpe Charter prepared the Family Contract in 1999. It is usually good to review this document at the end of a grading period.

### **Oglethorpe Charter School Family Contract**

I/We, the Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of the above-named student, in consideration of the enrollment of my/our child in the Oglethorpe Charter School do hereby agree to the following:

1. I understand that this school is governed by a Governing Board, the majority of which are parents or guardians of students enrolled in Oglethorpe Charter School.
2. By my personal participation, I will assist the school in making learning a primary occupation for my child.
3. I will supervise my child's homework to ensure that all assignments are completed on schedule. I will not make excuses for late/missing assignments. I will establish a homework location in the home.
4. I will ensure that my child is dressed in uniform clothing in accordance with the dress code established by Oglethorpe Charter School. As stated in the student handbook, if my student comes to school out of uniform, I will bring my student the appropriate clothing as soon as I am contacted.
5. My child will be sent to school healthy, clean, rested and prepared to learn with proper supplies.
6. I will have two academic conferences by phone, e-mail or in person with my child's teacher(s) as requested. I will schedule conferences. Pop-in conferences are not appropriate.
7. I will volunteer my time according to the needs of the school, which are currently 10 hours per year for single-parent families and 20 hours per year for two-parent families, by agreeing to accept a fair share of the work to be done as directed by the Governing Board and/or Administration.
8. I understand that practicing civic responsibility is an important part of the learning experience at the school; therefore, I will provide or arrange for transportation for my child to school-organized volunteer community activities or I will provide reasonable notice to the school if I need assistance to find transportation for my child.
9. I understand that this contract is an agreement with all other parents in the school to support the faculty, staff and volunteers as they work to help me make my child a productive, cooperative member of the school and community.
10. I understand that after reasonable interventions with regard to discipline has been attempted without success, the Governing Board has the authority to expel or recommend that a child be withdrawn from Oglethorpe Charter School if the following circumstances occur:
  - a. Student's behavior violates the Conduct and Discipline Code which I have read and I understand; and/or

- b. The parents or guardian fails to take responsibility for the conduct of the student or fails to cooperate with the school in efforts to correct the student's behavior.
- c. The student consistently fails to turn in homework, projects, or prepare for tests, preventing reaching maximum academic potential.

I understand that any student suspended or expelled from a charter school is entitled to enroll in a public school in the district in which the student resides so long as the student would not have been subject to suspension or expulsion under the disciplinary policy of the local school system for the conduct which gave rise to the suspension or expulsion.

11. I understand the policy of Oglethorpe Charter School is to promote students from grade to grade based solely on academic performance.
12. I will keep the school informed of a phone number and address where I can be reached during daytime hours, and be immediately available to come to the school if requested.
13. I will see that my student attends tutorials, if needed.

**Congratulations OCS Football:** The OCS football had a shut out 21-0 game against Meyers Middle School. Keep the winning tradition going players and coaches!

**PBIS in the Classroom:** Oglethorpe Charter School has been selected by the Georgia Department of Education to implement PBIS in the classroom. This takes us to another level of PBIS implementation. The following strategies are just a snap-shot of what is taking place in the classrooms:

- Set clear routines for everything you would like students to do in your classroom
- Silent signals
- Proximity
- Quiet Corrections
- Give students a task
- Take a break. ...
- Positive phrasing
- State the behavior you want to see

Note: Our overarching goal with PBIS is to continue to provide a safe and nurturing environment with every aspect of school and have systems in place for the smooth orderly operation of the school day for all.

**Titan Ambassador Grill and Chill:** The Titan Ambassador Club will be hosting our next Grill and Chill on Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. This event will be open for all to attend.

**School Start Time:** We open our doors every morning at 6:50. The first period class each day starts at 7:40. We are asking for all students to arrive on our campus no later than 7:35 to be able to get to class on time.

**PTO Cookie Dough Fundraiser Update:** On behalf of the PTO Officers (Kate Blair, Carmen Nieves, Angela Hall, Tamara Waterman, and Elizabeth Spikes), we would like to say a big thank you to our students and parents for a successful fundraiser with \$30,000 taken in. The order has been placed and all product items should be delivered to Oglethorpe prior to the Thanksgiving break. If your child sold 5 items or less, those

items will be taken to the homeroom classroom the day of delivery. Your child will then bring those items home for distribution to those people that purchased. If your child sold more than 5 product items, we require parents to come to the school to pick up the order from a designated location (most likely the front entrance area due to after school care in the cafeteria). All items arrive frozen and must be picked up on the day of the delivery.

**FBLA Dress Down Days:** The Future Business leaders of America will be hosting two dress down days on the following dates:

- October 29<sup>th</sup>: Students will be allowed to come to school in appropriate costume attire or simply dress down for \$2.
- November 19<sup>th</sup>: Students will be allowed to dress down for \$2.

**OCS Football:** Mr. Shehane (OCS Athletic Director) provided the following shout out to the OCS football team after their last game: The OCS Football Titans improved to 2-0 with a hard-fought win over a tough Southwest Eagles team, 14-6. With neither team able to run the ball and a scoreless first half, the game became a passing dual. Dakari Smith and LaDamian Guyton contributed to the passing attack with multiple receptions that kept drives alive and moved the chains. Early in the fourth quarter CamRon Yeldell found Raleigh Wesley for the Titan score on a 5-yard screen pass. With an effective pass rush by Guyton, Smith, and Santos Celestin, the defense held the Eagles out of the end zone late in the fourth quarter inside the 10-yard line. In a game that appeared to be headed for overtime, with less than 2 minutes to play, Smith had a strip sack that was recovered by Guyton. With less than a minute to play, Yeldell found Wesley again. This time streaking over the middle on a post slant, Wesley raced 58 yards for the score. Saul Castillo converted the extra point to ice the game.

Kevin Wall, Principal  
[kevin.wall@sccpss.com](mailto:kevin.wall@sccpss.com)

The board went into closed session at 5:26pm. The board went into open session at 5:36pm

## **Committee Reports**

**Governance and Accountability:** Chair, Patrick Dean - none

**Nomination Committee:** Chair, Jon Cohen - none

**Academic Committee:** Chair, Regina Rahimi with Chris Hintz - none

**Other Business:** None.

**Parent, Guest, Teacher, and Staff Comments:** None.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:39 pm.

The next scheduled meeting is December 13, 2021 at 5pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cathy Vogel  
Oglethorpe Charter School

To: Kerry Prichard  
From: Lisa Reavis  
Date: November 17, 2021

## Governance Training Improvement Plan 2021-2022

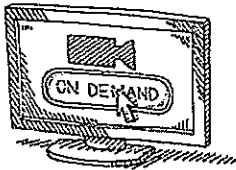
Oglethorpe Charter School will be using the Georgia Charter Schools Association to facilitate all training for SY 2021-2022. The required whole group training was held on July 29, 2021 in which the majority of all board members participated in. The following email from Ayana Clark (Georgia Charter Schools Association) confirms Oglethorpe Charter School has registered all Governing Board Members to complete the other training requirements this year:

Hello –

**Welcome to FY22 GCSA Digital Governance Training!** GCSA is pleased to offer a comprehensive digital governance training series for the 2021-2022 school year. This subscription grants you full access to our governance training offerings!

We will be using Canvas to host our on-demand webinars. You should have an invitation from **Instructure Canvas** in your email. Your first step is to accept the invitation so you can access the FY22 digital governance course. (Directions are attached for quick reference.). All webinars qualify for governance training hours according to SBOE Rule 160-4-9-.06. The digital governance training package offers the following LIVE and RECORDED options for training:

- **On-Demand Webinars**
- **Board Boost** (Zoom info below )
- **Live Webinars** (Zoom info below )



### ON-DEMAND WEBINARS

We will continue to offer our on-demand content, so you can **get the training you need when you want it!** New webinars will be rolled out throughout the FY22 season, providing you with the foundational content and strategies needed for effective oversight.



## BOARD BOOSTS

Board Boost is a 60-minute live webinar session, where we will **tackle some of the most common governance challenges and explore critical topics**, such as succession planning, onboarding, academic oversight, effective school leader oversight, and other topics generated by your needs!

During these sessions, you will hear best practices and receive resources you can use immediately to boost the effectiveness of your board. Participants will also engage with members of other boards to share solutions from the field during the facilitated discussions.



## LIVE WEBINARS

**New to a board?** Use our live webinars to build your understanding of foundational governance issues. Our FY22 Live Governance Webinar series will have the **same great content as our on-demand offerings** with the bonus of giving you the **chance to ask questions** relevant to your specific school context.

---



## LIVE WEBINAR TRAINING DATES

| LIVE WEBINAR TRAINING CALENDAR                              |   |   |   |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|
| LIVE WEBINAR<br>1st Wednesday<br>monthly<br>(1 hour credit) | BOARD BOOST<br>2nd Thursday<br>monthly<br>(1 hour credit) | <br><b>*NEW MEMBER<br/>INTENSIVE*</b><br>(6 hours of credit) | CANVAS WALKTHROUGHS                                 |  |
| September 1, 2021<br>12:00 - 1:00pm<br>5:30 - 6:30pm        | September 9, 2021<br>12:00 - 1:00pm<br>5:30 - 6:30pm      |   | September 7, 2021<br>9:00 - 9:45am<br>5:00 - 5:45pm | September 21, 2021<br>9:00 - 9:45am<br>5:00 - 5:45pm |
| October 6, 2021<br>12:00 - 1:00pm<br>5:30 - 6:30pm          | October 14, 2021<br>12:00 - 1:00pm<br>5:30 - 6:30pm       |   | October 5, 2021<br>9:00 - 9:45am<br>5:00 - 5:45pm   | October 19, 2021<br>9:00 - 9:45am<br>5:00 - 5:45pm   |
| November 3, 2021<br>12:00 - 1:00pm<br>5:30 - 6:30pm         | November 11, 2021<br>12:00 - 1:00pm<br>5:30 - 6:30pm      |   | November 2, 2021<br>9:00 - 9:45am<br>5:00 - 5:45pm  | November 16, 2021<br>9:00 - 9:45am<br>5:00 - 5:45pm  |
| December 1, 2021<br>12:00 - 1:00pm<br>5:30 - 6:30pm         | December 9, 2021<br>12:00 - 1:00pm<br>5:30 - 6:30pm       |   | December 2, 2021<br>9:00 - 9:45am<br>5:00 - 5:45pm  | December 16, 2021<br>9:00 - 9:45am<br>5:00 - 5:45pm  |

## ALL LIVE WEBINARS ARE ACCESSIBLE THROUGH ZOOM

### Join Zoom

Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7668801945?pwd=RUUyUjIjYUJEMHFWkzVhVMcnpA2Zz09>

Meeting ID: 766 880 1945

Passcode: education

## FY22 TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <b>NEW MEMBERS</b><br>15 hours required     | 3 - Whole Board Team Training (must have quorum)<br>3 - Financial Governance (delivered by GADOE)<br>3 - Best Practices in Charter School Governance<br>3 - Funding & Budgeting<br>3 - Elective Topics Aligned with <i>Standards for Effective Governance of Georgia Nonprofit Charter School Governing Boards</i> |
| <b>EXISTING MEMBERS</b><br>9 hours required | 3 - Whole Board Team Training (must have quorum)<br>3 - Financial Governance<br>3 - Elective Topics Aligned with <i>Standards for Effective Governance of Georgia Nonprofit Charter School Governing Boards</i>  |
| <b>BOARD CHAIR</b>                          | Adhere to the same training requirements above.<br>Complete the Best Practices for Board Chair training as one of your electives.  |

**EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS** Adhere to the same requirements above.