

Greenville First Steps Board Meeting MINUTES
August 14, 2015

Board Members Present: Keith Frazier, Gina Blohm, Lauren Briles, Meredith Burton, Lillie Hall, Julie Hartman, Susan Kear, Stephanie Knobel, Wade Kolb, Sandra Linder, Grady Patterson, Stacey Peek, Nancy Powers, Cynthia Sosebee, Melissa Starker, Danny Varat

Staff Present: Derek Lewis, Leslie Latimer, Beth Jamieson

Visitors Present: Meredith Hudanish, Patti Ertzberger

1. Welcome Keith Frazier
Welcome and introductions.
2. Approval of May Minutes Keith Frazier
Minutes are attached as Attachment A
MOTION by Danny Varat
SECOND by Susan Kear
No discussion
Approved unanimously
3. Adoption of Board ByLaw revisions Keith Frazier
ByLaws are attached as Attachment B
MOTION by Danny Varat
SECOND by Gina Blohm
Discussion
Major changes (most discussed in earlier Greenville First Steps board meetings)
 - Board makeup adjusted to include new possible categories (including philanthropy and government), and more flexibility as to categories expected to be present
 - Board members terms are now 4 years (effective with next slate of elections)
 - Board member terms are now a total of 8 years (effective immediately)Approved unanimously
4. Approval of SCFS Contract Derek Lewis
SCFS contract with Greenville First Steps.
MOTION by Danny Varat
SECOND by Wade Kolb
Discussion:
It is very similar to past contracts, but with a few changes:
 - Conditional Approval: Countdown to Kindergarten
 - Annual Community Education plan required
 - Data Reporting for Community Education work

- Revised Eligibility Criteria, to be discussed later
Approved unanimously

5. Review of Board Survey Beth Jamieson
Full survey results have been provided (attachment C). In general, board members noted they were:
- Satisfied, or Very Satisfied, with information provided by Greenville FS staff.
 - Would like more discussion about Programs, Outcomes and Strategic Plans
 - Would like more correspondence re: State Level work
 - Would like to keep board meeting as Second Friday at 1:00PM

6. Strategic Work: Who we serve Beth Jamieson
Board discussed SCFS Criteria (Attachment D)

7. Program Update Leslie Latimer
Scholarships
Babysteps
ReadGreenville:

8. Childcare Support Network update Derek Lewis
MOTION by Susan Kear
SECOND by Wade Kolb
Discussion: Funding request: \$50,000 in Private funds for Phase 1 costs
Approved unanimously

9. Adjourn Keith Frazier

Next Board Meeting: Friday October 9 1:00PM Greenville Chamber

Board moved into Executive Session to discuss Personnel Matters at 2:17pm

Meeting adjourned at 2:26pm