



Board of Director's Meeting
February 8, 2019

Minutes

Board members in attendance: Karen Allen, Gina Blohm, Lauren Briles, Stacy Burr, Kelly Byers, Eric Hassman, Leonard Kupersmith, Corey McDowell, Cara Puntch, JoKeitha Seabrook, Meredith Silliman, Cynthia Sosebee, Stacie Stegall, DeeDee Washington, Jeremy Watts

Staff in attendance: Derek Lewis, Beth Jamieson, Anne Lee Buck, Betsy Shouse

Guests in attendance: Delaney Fleming -Greenville First Steps intern, Stephanie Dozier – Greenville County Schools

1. Welcome Lauren Briles

2. New Board Members Lauren Briles
 - Corey McDowell, Operations Director, YMCA Judson Community Center
 - Cara Puntch, Director, Westminster Weekday School
 - Dr DeeDee Washington, Assistant Professor, Anderson University

The three new board members introduced themselves to the board. Each board member introduced themselves as well.

3. December board minutes Lauren Briles

Board minutes were sent out in advance by Beth Jamieson.
Motion to approve by Eric Hassman
Second by JoKeitha Seabrook
No Disucssion
Approved unanimously

4. Board Member Expectation Forms Lauren Briles

Every board member was asked to sign the 2019 Board member expectation form and submit to Beth Jamieson at the end of the meeting.

5. Triple P Update Derek Lewis

Derek gave an update on the Triple P Activating Agency process. We have been having meetings with the Children's Trust of SC and the FPG Impact Center, working to create an infrastructure to ensure sustainability after the grant.

6. Strategic Plan Beth Jamieson
Beth Jamieson guided the board of directors through some early strategic planning. Greenville First Steps has decided to postpone the deadline for a new strategic plan to the fall of 2019 to align with SC First Steps plan.
As a part of the planning process for the Strategic Plan, the board discussed an example of moving current (FY19) programmatic functions to be less of a direct service. The board discussed what child care scholarships could look like if we switched from individual scholarships to grants to local child care centers.
7. Upcoming Events Beth Jamieson
- Palmetto Basics Get Out and Play Day @ the Greenville Zoo
 o March 30, 2019 9:00am-1:00pm
- Greenville Theatre's Junie B Jones is Not A Crook School performance at Monaview Elementary School **email annelee@greenvillefirststeps.org for logistics to attend
 o April 5, 2019 9:00-10:00am
- Kids' Fest at Heritage Green
 o April 27, 2019 10:00-11:30am
- Greenville First Steps' 20th Anniversary Celebration
 o April 28, 2019
8. Executive Session Lauren Briles
Lauren, on behalf of the executive committee, asked for the board to go into executive session for personnel matters.
Motion by JoKeitha Seabrook
Second by Leonard Kupersmith
9. Executive Session ends
Motion to leave executive session by Eric Hassman
Second by Leonard Kupersmith
10. Adjourned at 2:51pm Lauren Briles

Next Meeting: March 15th @ 1:00pm