



Greenville First Steps Annual Meeting
and
Strategic Planning Community Input meeting
Friday, December 9- SC Children's Theatre

Minutes

Board members in attendance: Jeremy Watts, Amy Fowlkes, Corey McDowell, Cynthia Sosebee, DeeDee Washington, Eric Hassman, Gina Blohm, Jane Yates, Jennifer James, JoKeitha Seabrook, Jonathan Cote, LaVonda Paul, Stacie Stegall, Stacy Burr, Travis Wharton.

Staff in attendance: Derek Lewis, Beth Jamieson, Nicole Sheppard, Jamaal Rashad

Guests in attendance: Amanda Lacaroz, Anna Hanor, Bryan Boroughs, Caroline Robertson, Edward Anderson, Elise Dunbar, Emily Bartels, Fran Mauney, Jacque Taylor, Jamie Moon, Janice Kilburn, Josie Moore, Kerry Sease, Lauren Briles, Leslie Latimer, Linda Doherty, Melinda Lavallee Turner, Melissa Huff, Melissa Roper, Michelle Cunningham, Ned Moore, Nicole Matheny, Rachel Amrhein, Shannon Vaughn, Stephanie Knobel, Suzanne Billings, Tiffany Herndon, Virginia Bikas

Board members absent: Deb VanderVeer, Kelly Byers

Special thank you to SCCT team for allowing us to use this space for our strategic planning meeting.

1. **Welcome:** Dr. Jeremy Watts, Greenville First Steps Board Chair, welcomed everyone

2. **Consent Agenda**

Consent Agenda included:

- Election of officers/Executive Committee for 2023 (effective Jan 1 2023)
Eric Hassman, Chair, Exec Committee member
DeeDee Washington, Vice Chair. Exec Committee member
Travis Wharton, Secretary, Exec Committee member,
Gina Blohm, Exec committee member
Jeremy Watts, Past Chair, Exec Committee member
- Approval of Fiscal Signatories:
Eric Hassman, primary board signature
DeeDee Washington, secondary board signature
Derek Lewis, able to sign invoices up to \$2,500 (excluding payroll)
- Approval of 2023 Meeting Calendar:
January 13 1:00PM
February 10 1:00PM

April TBA This will be the brief phone call
Oct 13 1:00PM Board meeting
Dec 8 noon: Annual meeting

- Approval of Sept Board meeting minutes

Motion to approve: Stacy Burr

Second: Corey McDowell

No Discussion

Motion carried

- 3. Thank you** to retiring Board members and officers Derek Lewis

Stacy Burr was thanked and honored for her extended service on the board. Jeremy Watts was celebrated for his time serving as Board Chair.

- 4. Final comments from Board Chair** Dr. Jeremy Watts

Jeremy Watts recounted successes and challenges during the past 2 years.

- 5. Meeting Adjourned** Dr Jeremy Watts

Strategic Planning Activity

Derek Lewis and Beth Jamieson