The Southwest Georgia S.T.E.M. Charter School held their regularly scheduled monthly meeting July 18, 2018 at 5:30 PM. Members present were Chairman Paul Langford, Vice-Chairman Tim Thompson, Mr. Eddie Owens, and Mrs. Courtney Ferguson. Also present were Superintendent Ms. Amy Foster, Principal Ms. LeAnne Smith and CFO Mrs. Marie Wills.

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Langford

ITEM 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - All

ITEM 3. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS/INVOCATION – Mr. Paul Langford gave the invocation and recognized Mrs. Barbara Mulholland with Hall Booth Smith, P.C. Attorneys at Law, Mrs. Mary Burner, and Mrs.

ITEM 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
It is the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve the agenda as written with the addition of ITEM 9-d. Discussion of Bank Note. Motion made by Mr. Tim Thompson, seconded by Mr. Eddie Owens. Approved unanimously.

ITEM 5. APPROVAL OF JUNE 20, 2018 MEETING MINUTES
Mr. Eddie Owens made a motion to approve the minutes from June 20th meeting, seconded by Mrs. Courtney Ferguson. Approved unanimously.

ITEM 6. APPROVAL OF JUNE 28, 2018 Special Called Board Meeting Minutes
Mrs. Courtney Ferguson made a motion to approve June 28th Special Called Meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Eddie Owens. Approved unanimously.

ITEM 7. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT
Mrs. Marie Wills presented the Board with a tentative financial report until the fiscal year (June 30th) is closed. After discussion Mr. Eddie Owens made a motion to approve the tentative financial report, seconded by Mrs. Courtney Ferguson. Approved unanimously.

ITEM 8. PRINCIPAL/FEDERAL PROGRAMS REPORT – Principal Ms. LeAnne Smith presented the Principal’s Report and Federal Programs Report.

ITEM 9. APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICIES
BOARD POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS – Ms. Amy Foster recommended to the Board – (a)Federal Fiscal Compliance Policy, (b) Conflict of Interest Policy and Questionnaire, and (c)Bank Procedures Policy. Mr. Eddie Owens made a motion to approve policies, seconded by Mr. Tim Thompson. Approved unanimously. (d) Board Members discussed the bank note and stressed their concerns about making payment.

ITEM 10. APPROVAL OF AFTER CARE PROGRAM – After some discussion the Board approved the After Care Program motion made by Mrs. Courtney Ferguson seconded by Mr. Tim Thompson. Approved unanimously.
ITEM 11. APPROVAL OF BUS ROUTE PICK UP SPOTS – After discussion the Board approved the Webster, Sasser, Parrott, Dawson, and Stewart County Pick Up spots motion made by Mr. Eddie Owens, seconded by Mr. Tim Thompson. Approved Unanimously.

ITEM 12. PURCHASE/LEASE SCHOOL BUS – Amy Foster, Superintendent recommended to the Board that we purchase two new school buses from Yancey Bus Sales @ $88,000 each. Ms. Foster also recommended that we use Tax-Exempt Leasing Corp. for financing. Motion made by Mr. Tim Thompson, seconded by Mr. Eddie Owens. Approved Unanimously.

ITEM 13. EXECUTIVE SESSION - PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

A. ENTER
   It is the recommendation of the Superintendent to enter executive session to discuss personnel. Motion made by Mr. Eddie Owens, seconded by Mrs. Courtney Ferguson. Approved unanimously.

B. EXIT
   It is the recommendation of the Superintendent to exit executive session. Motion made by Mr. Courtney Ferguson, seconded by Mr. Tim Thompson. Approved unanimously.

ITEM 14. EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS - The Board approved the Superintendent’s personnel recommendations:

(1) Motion made by Mrs. Courtney Ferguson, seconded by Mr. Tim Thompson. Approved Unanimously

(2) Motion made by Mrs. Courtney Ferguson, seconded by Mr. Tim Thompson. Approved Unanimously.

ITEM 15. APPROVAL OF ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING
Mrs. Courtney Ferguson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Paul Langford. Approved unanimously.

TIME ADJOURNED: 7:40 PM