

# **State Charter Schools Foundation**

### **Board of Directors** CALLED MEETING AGENDA

April 15, 2020, 2:00 p.m.

Via Conference Call

888-808-6929, code: 5206746#

State Charter Schools Foundation of Georgia 508 Twin Towers West, 205 Jesse Hill Jr. Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30334

### I. Welcome, Chris Sears

a. Call to order

#### II. SCSF COVID-19 Relief Fund, Chris Sears

- a. Summary of grant applications received by schools
- b. Vote to approve grant award recommendations
- III. Adjournment

## **COVID-19 Relief Fund Grant Awards**



April 15, 2020

### Current Fund Total: \$204,000 (\$200,000 designated for Greater Atlanta)

Priority 1: Electronic devices for low-income studentsPriority 2: Internet access for low-income studentsPriority 3: Remote tutoring for academically at-risk students

### **Greater Atlanta Schools**

Requests for devices and Internet access were fully funded. Requests for remote tutoring were capped at \$11,500. Schools who only requested funding for tutoring were funded fully up to \$11,500, based on their request. Schools receiving funding for devices and/or Internet access received a proration of the \$11,500.

School	Request	Award Recommendation	Priority
Atlanta Heights Charter School	\$69,168	\$11,500	Remote tutoring
Brookhaven Innovation Academy	\$5 <i>,</i> 280	\$5,200	Remote tutoring
Coweta Charter Academy	\$21,120	\$11,500	Remote tutoring
DuBois Integrity Academy	\$9,000	\$9,000	Internet access
Ethos Classical Academy	\$15,840	\$11,500	Remote tutoring
Fulton Leadership Academy	\$21,540	\$18,800	Devices, Internet
			access, remote tutoring
Genesis Innovation Academy for Boys	\$39,700	\$27,900	Devices, Internet
			access, remote tutoring
Genesis Innovation Academy for Girls	\$15,600	\$9,400	Internet access, remote
			tutoring
International Charter Academy of	\$12,524	\$12,350	Devices, Internet
Georgia			access, remote tutoring
International Academy of Smyrna	\$52,800	\$11,500	Remote tutoring
Ivy Preparatory Academy	\$41,400	\$32,150	Devices, Internet
			access, remote tutoring
SLAM Academy	\$15,312	\$11,500	Remote tutoring
Utopian Academy	\$28,950	\$17,700	Devices, remote
			tutoring
TOTAL	\$335,984	\$190,000	

**Notes:** Schools were only permitted to apply for devices if they have already deployed all of the school's portable electronic devices. Schools anticipate continued need for devices as they reach the end of life expectancy and are damaged. Other schools indicated that they are currently able to meet students' needs for distance learning, but all have expressed serious concern about devices that have been deployed and their ability to meet technology needs when school resumes with expected device damage and loss.

### **Schools Outside of Greater Atlanta**

All state charter schools were given the option to apply for grant funding with the understanding that the majority of funding would be available for Greater Atlanta state charter schools at this time. Below indicates the estimated immediate need of schools and information from grant applications when available.

School	Estimated Need	Priority	Notes
Baconton Community Charter School	\$12,000	Internet access	GOSA provided 100 laptops based on SCSF referral
Cirrus Charter Academy	\$247,000	Devices, remote tutoring	
Liberty Tech Charter School	\$14,256	Remote tutoring	
Pataula Charter Academy	\$18,000	Internet access	Recommend \$4,000 grant award to meet immediate need for Internet access
SAIL*	\$41,000	Devices, Internet access	Referred to Digital Learning Grant through GaDOE based on their TSI/CSI status
Scintilla Charter Academy*	\$47,000	Devices, Internet access	
Southwest Georgia STEM	\$10,500	Devices	Referred to Digital Learning Grant through GaDOE based on their TSI/CSI status
Spring Creek Charter Academy	\$12,000	Internet access	
Statesboro STEAM*	\$50,000	Internet access	GOSA provided 20 laptops based on SCSF referral
TOTAL	\$408,452		

\*Need determined based on survey of distance learning needs and discussions with school leaders. These schools have not yet submitted a grant application, and the need for tutoring is yet unknown.

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