

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