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# Martin Luther King Jr. Charter School of Excellence

# Minutes

## Strategic Planning Quarterly Meeting

**Date and Time**
Monday April 7, 2025 at 5:30 PM

**Location**: Zoom

**Committee Members Present:** Jennifer Wallace-Johnson (remote), Denise Pagan (remote), and Alton Jones (remote)

**Guests Present**: Kendra Salvador (remote)

**Committee Members Present**
Denise Pagan-Vega (remote), James Lightfoot (remote)

**Committee Members Absent**
Jennifer Wallace-Johnson

**Guests Present**
Alton Jones (remote), Kendra Salvador (remote)

### I. Opening Items

A. **Record Attendance**

B. **Call the Meeting to Order**

James Lightfoot called a meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee Committee of Martin Luther King Jr. Charter School of Excellence to order on Monday Apr 7, 2025 at 5:32 PM.

## II. Strategic Planning

### A. Discussion

- Discussion of feasibility of expanding seats: exploring expansion to preschool and/or grades 6-8
  - Still no opportunity for seats
  - Focus on academic program
  - Survey families again formally - families have asked for Pre-K and middle school grades since 2018.
    - SPS adding Pre-K
    - Middle schools and middle/high schools that start in 5th
- Discussion with board about continued evaluation of feasibility of expanding seats, executing needs assessment and/or SWOT analysis.
  - Start planning a capital campaign
  - Rather than focusing on development only when seats are available - two phase project instead
    - What spaces can our students benefit from now that will still be relevant when we are able to expand? (Big library, proper gym and auditorium, intervention space, science lab for upper grades?)
- Focus on what we have as opposed to adding a new grade; Intermediate strategic step: explore reallocation of some kindergarten seats to PK
  - Is this even a possibility - would it be an amendment application?
  - Timeline - TBD; right now, focus on academic achievement

## III. Closing Items

### A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kendra Salvador