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# Ethos Classical Charter School

## Minutes

### Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday January 28, 2026 at 6:30 PM

#### **Location**

Ethos Middle School  
2575 Dodson Drive  
East Point, GA 30344

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#### **Directors Present**

A. Houseman, A. Jordan, D. Bynes, J. Keller, M. Childress, T. Fick

#### **Directors Absent**

J. Boyd, J. Giesler

#### **Guests Present**

D. Mack, Michael Juel-Larsen (remote), S. Knight-Justice, V. Hudson

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Record Attendance**

#### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

T. Fick called a meeting of the board of directors of Ethos Classical Charter School to order on Wednesday Jan 28, 2026 at 6:42 PM.

#### **C.**

### **Approve December Meeting Minutes**

A. Jordan made a motion to approve the minutes from Board of Directors Monthly Meeting on 12-03-25.

J. Keller seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

J. Giesler Absent

T. Fick Aye

D. Bynes Aye

A. Jordan Aye

J. Boyd Absent

M. Childress Aye

A. Houseman Absent

J. Keller Aye

## **II. Management Report**

### **A. Dashboard Review**

Did not review strategic planning dashboard; replaced with academic data review

### **B. Winter Diagnostic Exam Results - iReady, NWEA MAP**

D. Mack and S. Knight-Justice presented mid-year academic data, "Winter Diagnostic Exams - iReady, NWEA MAP".

Planned Interventions: adding Literacy Fellows to 3rd & 4th grades, re-teach lesson analysis, hiring updates, Saturday School for math, and others in SY26 plus increased coaching support in SY27

## **III. Finance**

### **A. Monthly Financial Report**

M. Juel Larsen presented combined November/December 2025 financial report:

- December Forecast Update: personnel, in-kind donations, consultants, supplies, and property services (maintenance, security, and insurance) impacts
- FY 2026 Income Before Depreciation vs Approved Budget
- 2025-2026 Monthly Cash Balance (\$ and days)
- 2025-2026 Grant Drawdown Summary (expecting adjustment to entitlements due to standard budget reviews based on enrollment; CSP budget to be revised this month)
- 2025-2026 Balance Sheet Year to Date

- 2025-2026 SCSC Dashboard

T. Fick called for interested additional board members to join the Finance Committee

#### **IV. Committees**

##### **A. HeART Auction**

A. Jordan provided updates on the HeArt Auction.

- Need to push for ticket sales
- Run of show shared
- Open roles/slots for board members to sign up

#### **V. Other Business**

##### **A. 2026-2027 Academic Calendar**

D. Mack shared that SCSC mandates all brick and mortar schools have 180 school days. Flagged potential amendment to fall break dates once APS and Fulton County approve their calendars.

V. Hudson shared calendar approach and major updates

J. Keller made a motion to approve the 2026-2027 Academic Calendar.

A. Houseman seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

##### **B. Executive Session**

M. Childress made a motion to close the meeting and enter into executive session to discuss specifics about personnel and student records.

A. Jordan seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### **VI. Closing Items**

##### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

J. Keller made a motion to adjourn the January 2026 board meeting.

M. Childress seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

M. Childress