



Ethos Classical Charter School

Minutes

Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday October 28, 2026 at 6:30 PM

Location

Ethos Middle School
2575 Dodson Dr, East Point, GA 30344

Directors Present

A. Houseman (remote), A. Jordan, A. Khan, D. Bynes, J. Boyd (remote), J. Keller, K. Smith, M. Childress, O. William

Directors Absent

None

Guests Present

B. Hines (remote), D. Mack

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Keller called a meeting of the board of directors of Ethos Classical Charter School to order on Wednesday Oct 28, 2026 at 6:36 PM.

C. Approve September Meeting Minutes

A. Jordan made a motion to approve the minutes from Board of Directors Monthly Meeting on 09-23-26.

A. Khan seconded the motion.

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

II. Management Report

A. Dashboard Review

D. Mack shared updates around the schoolhouse:

- Select scholars presented to the Commission and distinguished visitors
- New turf and signage added at the elementary school
- Field trips
- Anti-bullying campaign video
- Family partnerships: "Once Ethos, always Ethos"
- Cypher Battle
- Upcoming Dates:
 - Nov 10 - Board members volunteered to support the Swag Shop "\$10 Sell"
 - Dec 1 - Giving Tuesday
 - Jan 23 - Sneakerball & Daddy Daughter Dance
- SY26 CCRPI - 100% Closing Gaps
- New Roles for SY28
- Enrollment Applications
- Ways to Give:
 - Dec 1 - Giving Tuesday via GiveButter
 - Dec 11 - Staff Holiday Celebration
- Board Actions:
 - Sign up for Governance training
 - Complete and sign all board documents
 - Talk about Ethos
 - Raise dollars
 - Send good people to Ethos (hiring)
 - Hold us accountable

D. Mack presented FY27 Plan Dashboard Updates

- Priority 1: Academic Excellence
 - still waiting for GMAS scores
- Priority 2: Student Culture

- Priority 3: Talent & Organizational Excellence

B. CCRPI Results

D. Mack presented results summary

- Content Mastery
- Closing Gaps, 2026 vs 2025
- Next Steps
 - Invest in Specialized Services
 - Sustain Academic Momentum in Math, Reading, Science, and Social Studies; Expand instructional leadership capability

D. Bynes shared updates from the Academic Committee; call for Committee participants

III. Finance

A. Treasurer's Report

A. Houseman presented the Finance Committee Update with commentary from B. Hines.

- FY27 Financial Snapshot
 - current forecast slightly higher than prior forecast
- What's Going Well
 - Clean FY26 audit
 - Supply spending controlled
 - Net income improving
- Watchlist & Next Steps
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B. Monthly Financial Report

IV. Board Involvement

A. Givebutter - Fundraising Platform

M. Childress introduced the GiveButter platform and Advancement Task Force to the Board.

- Call for Task Force participants

V. Voting Matters

A. Updated Financial Policies

J. Keller allowed for time to review the summary of changes to the FY27 Financial Policy

A. Jordan made a motion to updated the financial policies as presented.

K. Smith seconded the motion.

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

VI. Executive Session, if needed

A. Executive Session

J. Keller made a motion to close the meeting and move into executive session to discuss two personnel matters.

O. William seconded the motion.

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

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

M. Childress made a motion to adjourn the October Board meeting.

K. Smith 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 8:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

M. Childress