

# ZEST Preparatory Academy Charter School

## Minutes

### ZEST Preparatory Academy Governance Board Meeting

**Date and Time** Tuesday September 17, 2024 at 7:00 PM

Location 3130 Golf Ridge Blvd. Douglasville, GA 30135

**Directors Present** A. Joiner, B. Jones, E. Jackson, H. Ridley, T. Stevens

Directors Absent K. Green

APPROVED

**Ex Officio Members Present** M. Carruthers, M. Felts

Non Voting Members Present M. Carruthers, M. Felts

**Guests Present** A. Parks, K. Rhodes

### I. Opening Items

A. Welcome

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#### **Record Attendance**

#### C. Call the Meeting to Order

B. Jones called a meeting of the board of directors of ZEST Preparatory Academy Charter School to order on Tuesday Sep 17, 2024 at 7:10 PM.

#### D. Mission/Vision

The board reaffirmed the mission and vision of ZEST Preparatory Academy, focusing on the

commitment to academic excellence and leadership development.

#### E. Review of Agenda

The agenda was reviewed and approved unanimously.

#### **II. Public Comment**

#### A. Public Comment

No public comments were presented during this meeting.

#### III. C. Executive's Directors Report (M.Carruthers)

#### A. District Updates

Provided updates on compliance with district guidelines and collaboration efforts to enhance student outcomes.

#### **B. School Updates**

Highlighted upcoming school events, teacher training sessions, and community engagement initiatives.

#### C. Policy Review & Updates

Discussed revisions to current school policies, with an emphasis on aligning with state regulations and best practices.

#### D. Academic Updates - Data Review

Presented student performance data, focusing on areas of strength and opportunities for improvement. Discussed strategies to address learning gaps.

#### E. Dashboard Review

Reviewed the school's key performance indicators, with a focus on tracking progress in academic performance, attendance, and student engagement.

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#### **Enrollment & Attendance**

Shared updates on current enrollment figures and attendance rates, noting positive growth and ongoing efforts to ensure student retention.

#### **IV. Finance Report (Edtec)**

#### A. Finance Update

Presented the latest financial reports, including updates on expenditures, revenue, and budget projections for the upcoming quarter.

#### **B.** Fundraising

Discussed current fundraising initiatives and explored potential opportunities for generating additional funds to support school programs and activities.

#### V. Board Governance & Community Engagement

#### A. Board Governance & Community Engagements

Reviewed strategies for enhancing community engagement and increasing parental involvement

in school activities. Discussed plans for upcoming community outreach events.

#### **VI. Executive Session**

#### A. Executive Session

The board entered Executive Session to discuss confidential matters related to:

- Facilities:
- Human Resources:
- The board exited Executive Session at 8:02 PM.

#### VII. Closing Items

#### A. Adjourn Meeting

Brannon Jones provided closing remarks, highlighting the board's commitment to ZEST Prep's

mission and strategic goals for the upcoming school year.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, B. Jones ZEST Preparatory Academy Charter School is a K-5 elementary school community that provides an academically rigorous, supportive, and joyful learning environment to develop the leader inside every student for lifelong educational achievement and impactful community service.