



ZEST Preparatory Academy Charter School

Minutes

ZEST Preparatory Academy Governance Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday June 23, 2026 at 6:30 PM

Location

3130 Golf Ridge Blvd. Douglasville, GA 30135

Directors Present

A. Joiner (remote), A. Olugbala (remote), B. Jones (remote), C. James (remote), H. Ridley (remote), R. Palmer (remote)

Directors Absent

S. Rankin

Ex Officio Members Present

M. Carruthers (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

M. Carruthers (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. 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 Jun 23, 2026 at 6:41 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

H. Ridley made a motion to approve the minutes from.

R. Palmer seconded the motion.

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

II. Executive Director's Report

A. Finance

Avolon Accounting shared the Financials for May 2026 with a surplus noted. ZEST is projected to meet the SCSC Financial Performance Standards with 85/100 points.

Closing Budget Hearing #2: The closing budget was presented by Avolon Accounting.

C. James made a motion to Approve the closure budget as presented.

H. Ridley seconded the motion.

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

B. Facility

ZEST has terminated the appropriate utilities.

The building will be cleaned following the completion of asset redistribution and prior to turn over to 22Beacon.

The school will vacate the building on June 30, 2026. The Board of Directors and Management are coordinating with 22Beacon and ZEST legal counsel regarding a transfer of keys.

C. Executive Director Report

All ZEST staff contracts will conclude on 6/30/2026. The Board of Directors discussed required contracts to support closure responsibilities including IDEA, Student Records Transition, Finance, Audit. ZEST is closing out all SCSC closure related task by the stated deadline of 6/25/2026. The SCSC concluded asset redistribution on 6/18/2026. ZEST is awaiting guidance on next steps for any additional consumable or assets remaining in the building.

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 7:43 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.