



Boston Preparatory Charter Public School

Minutes

Additional Board Meeting

Succession Planning Follow Up Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday March 18, 2026 at 8:00 AM

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Trustees Present

B. Jones (remote), C. Newton (remote), J. Beck (remote), J. Nobles (remote), J. Ripert (remote), K. Dumornay (remote), S. James (remote), S. Laberis (remote), T. Huff (remote), V. Centeio (remote), V. Lipschitz (remote)

Trustees Absent

D. Russell, J. Johnson, K. Borchert, M. Gametchu, N. Branch-Lewis

Guests Present

L. Jewell

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

S. James called a meeting of the board of trustees of Boston Preparatory Charter Public School to order on Wednesday Mar 18, 2026 at 8:02 AM.

C. Approve Minutes

D. Approve 3/11 Extra Board Meeting Minutes

II. Governance

A. Succession Planning

Bryant and Kim shared their recommendation to appoint VH as the interim executive director, with the plan to conduct a search in the fall.

S. James made a motion to Appoint Valonda Harris as Interim Executive Director, with the plan to conduct a search in the Fall.

C. Newton seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

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| T. Huff | Aye |
| D. Russell | Absent |
| K. Dumornay | Aye |
| J. Johnson | Absent |
| S. James | Aye |
| V. Lipschitz | Aye |
| M. Gametchu | Absent |
| J. Beck | Aye |
| J. Ripert | Aye |
| V. Centeio | Aye |
| N. Branch-Lewis | Absent |
| K. Borchert | Absent |
| C. Newton | Aye |
| S. Laberis | Aye |
| B. Jones | Aye |
| J. Nobles | Aye |

C. Newton made a motion to Appoint VaLonda Harris as a board advisor for the remainder of this school year to facilitate her making decision for next year.

J. Beck seconded the motion.

Kim and Bryant further recommended appointing VH as a board advisor for the remainder of this school year to facilitate her making decision for next year. Board discussed how to split tasks between Meekerley and VaLonda (this year to MS, next year to VH).

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

Roll Call

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| M. Gametchu | Absent |
| S. Laberis | Aye |
| T. Huff | Aye |
| B. Jones | Aye |
| V. Lipschitz | Aye |
| J. Beck | Aye |
| N. Branch-Lewis | Absent |
| S. James | Aye |
| K. Borchert | Absent |
| J. Johnson | Absent |
| D. Russell | Absent |
| V. Centeio | Aye |
| J. Nobles | Aye |
| C. Newton | Aye |
| K. Dumornay | Aye |
| J. Ripert | Aye |

T. Huff made a motion to Voted to approve Contract term for interim executive director would officially start August 1, 2026.

C. Newton seconded the motion.

Discussed that VaLonda's contact term for Interim exec director would officially start Aug 1 2026 and go until July 31 2027. We empowered Kim and Bryant to finalize negotiations with VaLonda.

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

Roll Call

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| J. Ripert | Aye |
| C. Newton | Aye |
| J. Beck | Aye |
| B. Jones | Aye |
| D. Russell | Absent |
| K. Borchert | Absent |
| M. Gametchu | Absent |
| K. Dumornay | Aye |
| V. Centeio | Aye |
| T. Huff | Aye |
| S. James | Aye |
| S. Laberis | Aye |
| J. Nobles | Aye |
| N. Branch-Lewis | Absent |
| V. Lipschitz | Aye |

Roll Call

J. Johnson Absent

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 9:25 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
K. Borchert