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Liberation Academy

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday May 19, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Directors Present
K. Copeland (remote), K. Scott (remote), M. Mehta (remote), V. Thomas (remote)

Directors Absent
D. Hunter, J. Cook, T. Reynolds

Guests Present
Andre Waters (remote), Astra Armstrong (remote), B. King (remote), Candace Ramsey (Purpose Capital) (remote), T. Anderson (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

V. Thomas called a meeting of the board of directors of Liberation Academy to order on Tuesday May 19, 2026 at 6:09 PM.
V. Thomas made a motion to approve agenda as presented.
K. Copeland seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

C. Approve Minutes

V. Thomas made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 04-28-26.
M. Mehta seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Academic Excellence

A. Student Achievement and End of Year Testing

1. Academic Updates:
    1. Market Day events on May 19th (5th & 6th grade) and Mary 20th (7th & 8th grade). Also functions as a fundraiser.
2. Culture Report:
    1. Teacher Appreciation Week; School store where students may use Lion dollars.
    2. Several upcoming family engagement events (awards day/8th grade promotion; Market Day; Field Day/Family Day; Mini pancakes with Mom; Sports banquet). Parent communications sent via ParentSquare.
3. Operations:
    1. Enrollment & recruitment efforts are ongoing for the 2026-2027 school year. Goal is to ensure a full roster of Solutionists by the summer.
        1. Have received 150 applications to date.
        2. 35 families have confirmed their seats and submitted all required enrollment documentation.
        3. Hosted first New Family Information Session with 20 families in attendance.
        4. Tabling events recruitment: Juneteenth event in College Park. Additional events in the works.
    2. Deep clearing schedule. Significant capital improvement projects to occur over the summer. Will also serve lunch and breakfast to Solutionist during the month of June.
    3. Compliance:
        1. Attendance reporting to the state
        2. Safety drills
    4. Last day of school is May 22nd.
4. ED Report:
    1. Policy and Advocacy Updates- not a strong legislative session for charter schools. Only one piece of legislation passed with a bipartisan vote (Literacy Bill for funding literacy coaches in each building).
    2. Hiring: Three vacancies; no terminations or recent hires.
    3. Governance and Compliance:
        1. GADOE/SCSC obligations due by the close of the month
        2. Enrollment projects submitted at 185 FTE
        3. Voting to approve FY27 budget on 5/19
        4. On track for accreditation by Cognia

4. Strategic Priorities for May 2026:
    1. Board recruitment (focusing no development, HR, legal, educational leadership)
    2. Reviewing and approving policies and handbooks
    3. Completing all board trainings by deadline to ensure receipt of all points on CPF

III. Finance

A. April 2026 Finance Report

- April closed with a net deficit of ($870). Total revenue was $225K. Total expenses were $226K.
- Ended the month with $387k in cash, equal to 45 days of cash on hand.

IV. Governance

A. Approve SY 26-27 Board Meeting Dates

V. Thomas made a motion to Approve board SY2026-2027 meeting schedule: meetings begin in August and held on the final Tuesday of the month from 6pm-7:30pm.
M. Mehta seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. Vote to Adopt New Student and Family Handbook for SY 26-27

V. Thomas made a motion to Adopt Student and Family Handbook for SY26-27.
K. Copeland seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

C. Vote to Adopt New Staff Handbook for SY 26-27

V. Thomas made a motion to Adopt Staff Handbook for SY26-27.
M. Mehta seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

V. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

V. Thomas made a motion to move into Executive Session.
K. Copeland seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
Executive Session held from 6:59pm - 7:18pm.

VI. Other Business

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Public Comment

No public comments.

VII. 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 7:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
V. Thomas