



Laureate Academy Charter School Board of Directors

Minutes

September Board Meeting

Rescheduled from September 10, 2025

Date and Time

Monday September 8, 2025 at 5:30 PM

The matters listed are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair to be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may, in fact, be discussed. Other items not listed may be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. All agenda items are informational unless otherwise denoted, though all committee reports require a vote for acceptance. Unless otherwise stated, the meeting will be held on the campus of the school (2115 Oakmere Drive Harvey, LA 70058)

Directors Present

Bria Joshua, Caitlyn Scales, Dr. Jahquille Ross, Jordan Whittenburg, Monique Handy, Toyane Faulkner

Directors Absent

Janel Green

Guests Present

Dana Henry

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Jordan Whittenburg called a meeting of the board of directors of Laureate Academy Charter School Board of Directors to order on Monday Sep 8, 2025 at 5:40 PM.

C. Approve the Minutes from July Meeting

Jordan Whittenburg made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 07-23-25.

Toyane Faulkner seconded the motion.

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

D. Prove What's Possible

II. Finance

A. Review of month prior financials

No updates.

Call for prospective board members with financial background.

III. Academics

A. Follow-ups re Consent Agenda Review and Vote

Board Calendar:

- General Board Meetings - Rescheduled to occur on Mondays of the same week each month. (Likely to be changed once the board members determine their spring semester schedules)
- Academic Committee Meeting - Rescheduled to Thursday at 12:30p, in-person.

B. Head of School Update

- Benchmarks and testing data presented (See "H.O.S. Update Document")

- Students outperformed those in the district and state by double digits in several categories
- Question: *Is successful data is a result of Laureate teachers or cohorts?* Both.
Future data will be collected to allocate which most influenced the data-- teachers or cohorts?

- Enrollment Increasing
- Hiring & HR: 7/8 Social Studies vacancy
- Jordan, Caitlyn, Janel, and Claire are currently listed as bank signers. But this must be officially confirmed to conduct Laureate business as it relates to facilities.

- Question: *Is a specific board resolution needed?* Yes. The board needs to vote to approve a Resolution for specific board officers to be listed as signatories. The Resolution needs to annul any previous signatories and specifically appoint certain members based on roles.

Jordan Whittenburg made a motion to amend the August Agenda to include a Resolution. Dr. Jahquille Ross seconded the motion.

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

Bria Joshua made a motion to resolve as follows: all previous signatories are removed to add only Jordan Whittenburg as board Chair, Janel Green as board Treasurer, and Claire Heckerman-Whitehead as Head of School to act signatories on behalf of Laureate Academy.

Jordan Whittenburg seconded the motion.

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

10-YEAR CELEBRATION

Celebration is warranted, but the formality of hosting a ball has become fiscally cumbersome.

- Question: *Should the event not include alcohol to include families?* Yes. The event can be extended to include families/students.

Idea: Ticket prices should be limited to \$20 each.

Idea: A QR code should be featured, kindly requesting donations to Laureate Academy.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR BOARD DIRECTOR INVOLVEMENT

- See "School Calendar"

IV. Governance

A. Executive Session

Jordan Whittenburg made a motion to enter executive session.

Monique Handy seconded the motion.

@6:19p

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

V. 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 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jordan Whittenburg

Prove What's Possible!