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Laureate Academy Charter School Board of Directors

Minutes

Laureate Board Meeting

Date and Time
Monday November 16, 2026 at 5:30 PM

Location
In Person: Laureate Academy Offices 2114 Oakmere Drive Harvey, LA 70058
Virtual: A Google Meet link will be provided at least 24 hours prior to the meeting

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).

Virtual access is as follows:
Video call link: https://meet.google.com/dfp-ngex-tkb
Or dial: (US) +1 216-930-9314 PIN: 917 643 818#

Directors Present
Bria Joshua, Caitlyn Scales, Dr. Jahquille Ross, Monique Handy (remote)

Directors Absent
Anita Cyprian, Jordan Whittenburg, Toyane Faulkner

Ex Officio Members Present
Claire Heckerman-Whitehead

Guests Present
Dr. Adrell Pinkney

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Caitlyn Scales called a meeting of the board of directors of Laureate Academy Charter School Board of Directors to order on Monday Nov 16, 2026 at 5:32 PM.

C. Approve the Minutes from Previous Meeting

Dr. Jahquille Ross made a motion to approve the minutes from Laureate Board Meeting on 08-17-26.
Bria Joshua seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. FINANCE

A. Finance Committee Report

- Satisfactory financials through September 2026;
- Reserve funds are healthy;
- Enrollment looks good

B. FY2026 Independent Audit: Presentation & Acceptance

Dr. Jahquille Ross made a motion to accept the independent audit as presented for the fiscal year (ended June 30, 2026), including the auditors' opinion, reported findings, and any recommended follow-up actions.
Caitlyn Scales seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. GOVERNANCE

A. Governance Committee Report

No report at this time; no November 2026 meeting held.

B.

Consideration & Election of Treasurer

Monique Handy made a motion to elect Anita Cyprian-Jackson as Treasurer.
Dr. Jahquille Ross seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Consideration & Election of Dr. Adrell Pinkney to Board

Dr. Jahquille Ross made a motion to accept and approve Dr. Adrell Pinkney to the Board.
Caitlyn Scales seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Facilities Expansion Advisory Committee: Establishment & Scope

Caitlyn Scales made a motion to establish an ad hoc advisory committee to support time-sensitive facilities expansion planning, evaluation, and coordination, with recommendations submitted to the Board for approval.
Dr. Jahquille Ross seconded the motion.
As per discussion, motion is conditioned on limitation that the advisory committee will establish and present their scope at the next board meeting.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

A. Academic Achievement Committee Report

Committee chair, Dr. Jahquille Ross presented report as supported by most recent committee meeting minutes.

B. CEO Report

- Charter Renewal:
  - Renewal readiness based on academics is satisfactory
    - Academic Gains:
      - Move the Mastery bubble
      - K-3 reading
      - Math K-8 & Writing with Evidence
      - Inclusion
    - DIBELS progress monitoring has been working; the middle of the year data will be available soon
  - In terms of renewal, finances are strong
- “Bubble” students were identified as those within 10 points of the mastery threshold, including students who are just above mastery and may be at risk of falling below the standard.
- Extracurriculars: Academic Games, Basketball, & Pep Squad

V. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

Caitlyn Scales made a motion to the board will move into executive session pursuant to La. R.S. 17:3976 and La. R.S. 42:11 re leadership structure.
Bria Joshua seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
Caitlyn Scales made a motion to end executive session in accordance to law.
Dr. Jahquille Ross seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Closing Items

A. Action Items for Next Board Meeting

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bria Joshua

Documents used during the meeting

- Laureate Academy Charter School - 2026 Signed Final Report and Financial Statements.pdf

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