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Durham Charter School

Minutes

Durham Charter School Virtual Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday February 26, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Location

Durham Charter School Virtual Board Meeting

<https://durhamcharterschool.zoom.us/j/9199565599?omn=88216323768>

Our Mission: To Build a World-Class, K-12 School in Durham that Empowers Students to Thrive in College, Career, and Life.

Directors Present

A. Gutierrez (remote), C. Cain (remote), E. Lembert (remote), L. Morey (remote), M. Bailey (remote), M. Lesesky (remote), P. Edwards (remote), R. Ford (remote)

Directors Absent

G. Wicker

Guests Present

A. Hill (remote), A. Quigley (remote), B. Brown (remote), P. Adkins (remote), P. Cummings (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

L. Morey called a meeting of the board of directors of Durham Charter School to order on Thursday Feb 26, 2026 at 6:02 PM.

B. Record Attendance

Quorum was reached with 8 of 9 board members present.

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance was rendered.

D. Approve Minutes

P. Edwards made a motion to approve the minutes from Durham Charter School Board Meeting on 01-22-26.

R. Ford seconded the motion.

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

E. Approval of Agenda

Agenda was admended to include Athletic league application in New Business. Also, 5 year Financial Plan listed under Financial & Operation. These items are placed in the votes section.

R. Ford made a motion to approve the February 26 amended 6:08 pm agenda.

P. Edwards seconded the motion.

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

F. Privilege of the Floor

No one present for privilege of the the floor.

II. Executive Director Report

A. Presentation of Report

Mr. Quiqley presented and discussed the Executive Director's Report.

- Student and Staff Attendance
- Enrollment Applications
- Culture - House System Launched
- Culture - Discipline and Chronic Abstenteeism
- Durham Tech 4 Year Pathways and Arts Pathway

III. Old Business

A. Patrick Cummings, COO, Hubrich Contracting

Mr. Cummings discussed th elementary school construction (Phase 2) and Phase 1 leftover items .

- Durham City Permit Application number
- Level 4 site plan review is in its final steps
- Final Budget (contract costs)
- GMP
- Car loop after modular removal and parking lot expansion
- Sidewalk for orginal building perimeter
- Soccer field
- Property road access
- Power pole(s) relocation

B. Paul Jasin, Managing Director, Specialized Public Finance

Mr. Jasin was not present and Mr. Quigley discussed in lieu him about the 5 Year Financial Plan and Phase 2 financing, which is listed is the Finance & Operations Section of the agenda. The plan is a working plan and adjustments made by Mr. Quigley as needed (for board approval).

IV. New Business

A. Reimbursement Resolution

Mr. Quigley presented and discussed Reimbursment Resolution (for board approval).

V. Academic Excellence

A. Committee Minutes

Mr. Bailey presented the Academic Excellence Committee Report:

- academic achievement data
- teacher hiring process

VI. Governance and CEO Evaluation

A. Committee Minutes

Mr. Cain presented the Governance and CEO Evaluation:

- Revised Board Meeting Locations and Times (No March Meeting, April 23, May 21, June 25 will be virtual meeting at 5 p.m.) for board approval.
- Employee Criminal History Check policy (for board approval)
- -Board Conflict of Interest policy (for board approval)
- Nepotism policy (for board approval)

- Random Drug and Alcohol Testing policy (for board approval)

VII. Finance & Operations

A. Committee Minutes

Mr. Lesesky presented the Finance & Operations Report:

- Cash Reconciliation
- Investment & Risk Management
- Policy and Best Practices around moving cash

VIII. Closed Session pursuant to (G.S.) 143-318.11(6) for Personnel Issue

A. Enter closed session

C. Cain made a motion to enter closed session for personnel matters.

R. Ford seconded the motion.

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

B. Adjourn closed session

P. Edwards made a motion to adjourn closed session.

M. Lesesky seconded the motion.

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

IX. Board Votes

A. The following items are presented as a slate for board approval: February Committee Minutes, Revised Board Meeting (No meeting in March, April virtual at 5pm, May changed to 21st virtual at 5 pm, and June at 5 pm), January Reconciled Budget, Reimbursement Resolution with approval for necessary changes,

Employee Criminal History Policy, Board Conflict of Interest Policy, Nepotism Policy, Random Drug and Alcohol Testing Policy, 5 Year Financial Plan, and Application to the Triangle North Athletic Conference.

M. Lesesky made a motion to approve the aforementioned slate of votes.

A. Gutierrez seconded the motion.

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

B. February Committee Meeting Minutes

M. Lesesky made a motion to approve the minutes from Governance and CEO Evaluation on 02-11-26.

A. Gutierrez seconded the motion.

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

M. Lesesky made a motion to approve the minutes from Finance & Operations on 02-17-26.

A. Gutierrez seconded the motion.

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

M. Lesesky made a motion to approve the minutes from Academic Excellence on 02-19-26.

A. Gutierrez seconded the motion.

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

X. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

C. Cain made a motion to adjourn board meeting.

E. Lember seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. Cain