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# Forte Preparatory Academy

## Minutes

### Board Meeting

Forte Prep Full Board Monthly Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Wednesday May 21, 2025 at 6:30 PM

#### Location

In Person Meeting location TBD:

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/94001336885?pwd=K1AvOWN4MWM3U3VoSytQNkU5U1NDZz09>

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#### Directors Present

E. Winn, F. Lin, J. Cordero, J. Schilling, L. Mendez, V. Abrams (remote), W. Yip

#### Directors Absent

A. Espinosa, K. Mullen, L. Rodriguez, S. Song

#### Ex Officio Members Present

G. Browne (remote)

#### Non Voting Members Present

G. Browne (remote)

#### Guests Present

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Carlos Mojica (remote), Christopher Cruz, Janeya Hisle (remote), Justin Smith (remote), Michael Dymond

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## I. Opening Items

### A. Record Attendance

### B. Call the Meeting to Order

E. Winn called a meeting of the board of directors of Forte Preparatory Academy to order on Wednesday May 21, 2025 at 6:46 PM.

### C. Approve Minutes

W. Yip made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 03-19-25.

J. Schilling seconded the motion.

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

W. Yip made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 04-23-25.

J. Schilling seconded the motion.

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

## II. Finance

### A. Finance and Budget Review

Janeya of Ed Tech reported FP results as of April 2025. FP's financial and budget highlights include:

- Enrollment: Actual FTEs of 558.
- 2024-25 Budget vs. Projections: Variance of -\$203K.
- 2024-25 Budget vs. Actuals: Positive variance in operating income
- 2024-25 Budget vs. Forecast: Ending close to budget with \$204K positive net income.
- Cash Flow: Still looks good.
- FY26 Federal Funding Proposal cuts 15% of DOE programs, only charter schools get increased allocation.
- Review of potential impact of SCOTUS decisions on charter schools, expected at end of June.
- Review of budget assumptions for FY26.
- Review of FY26 Budget Draft. Final 2026 budget will be approved during June board meeting.

## III. Governance

### A.

### **Vote on new members**

F. Lin made a motion to Approve the addition of two new board members Christopher Cruz and Michael Dymond.

E. Winn seconded the motion.

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

## **IV. CEO Update**

### **A. May 2025 Highlights**

- Today was the 8th Annual Career Day.
- Fieldtrip in Fishkill, NY with programs provided by Fresh Air Fund.
- 9th graders in Philadelphia via Amish country.
- As part of Strive Trip program, there was a live jazz performance.
- Middle School State Exams are complete, expecting results in July.
- Had first PSAT exams.
- End of year School Review complete.
- EOY field trips coming soon.
- HS Career Day on May 28.
- Facilities development is ahead of schedule, targeting spring completion.
- Fund development update includes board prospecting and feasibility study to approach potential funders.

## **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 7:59 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
F. Lin