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Forte Preparatory Academy

Minutes

Board Meeting

Forte Prep Full Board Monthly Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday July 16, 2025 at 6:30 PM

Location
In Person Meeting location TBD:

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

Directors Present
A. Espinosa (remote), E. Winn (remote), J. Cordero (remote), J. Schilling (remote), K. Mullen (remote), L. Mendez (remote), L. Rodriguez (remote), M. Dymond (remote), S. Song (remote), V. Abrams (remote)

Directors Absent
C. Cruz, F. Lin, W. Yip

Ex Officio Members Present
G. Browne (remote)

Guests Present
J. Smith (remote)

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 Jul 16, 2025 at 6:35 PM.

II. Finance

A. Finance and Budget Review

There is no update from EdTec this month.

Graham shared an additional source of savings related to third party services.

III. Fund/Dev

A. Capital Campaign Update

Graham shared Capital Campaign updates for the high school facility.

FP is currently in the Feasibility Phase of the campaign.

- Several interviews with potential funders are complete and coming up soon.
- Still searching for Capital Campaign committee members.

IV. Governance

A. Board Updates

This will be Val's last FP board meeting. He is starting his own school in Georgia.

FP will continue to recruit new board members.

V. Academic

A. Upcoming Scores

Justin Smith shared that an analysis of scores will be coming in September.

VI. CEO Report

A. Upcoming Items for Approval

Graham shared highlights of recent FP events.

- Class of 2025 graduation at LaGuardia Performing Arts Center.
- Alumni reunion included 35% of original graduating class.
- Took 30 students to go see Boop! on Broadway with support from an anonymous donor.

Graham and Justin shared upcoming FP events.

- The Summer Academy, which is from July 7-August 7 this year, helps to keep students on track through the summer. The program is evolving.
- New staff training will be in August.
- Facility development continues to be on schedule.

Graham thanked Val for his service on the FP board and wished him well.

FP's district safety plan is public on Forte's Website https://www.forteprep.org/safety-plan-1 and will need to be reviewed and approved by the board by September 1, 2025.

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 7:14 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
E. Winn