



Brighten Academy

Brighten Academy Charter School Governing Board Meeting

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Date and Time

Monday February 24, 2025 at 6:00 PM EST

Location

5897 Prestley Mill Rd, Douglasville, GA 30135

The Brighten Academy Governing Board will meet on Monday, February 24th, 2025 at 6:00 pm, in the Media Center.

Agenda

Purpose Presenter

I. Opening Items

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| A. Record Attendance | | Kristen Moses |
| B. Call the Meeting to Order | | Jamilia Smith |
| C. Adoption of Agenda | Vote | Jamilia Smith |
| D. Approval of Minutes | Approve
Minutes | Jamilia Smith |

Approve minutes for Brighten Academy Charter School Governing Board Meeting on February 10, 2025

	Purpose	Presenter
II. Executive Director's Report		
A. Staffing Update	FYI	Donna Davis
B. PTO Update	FYI	Donna Davis
C. January Surplus List	Vote	Donna Davis
III. Executive Committee		
A. Strategic Teams Updates	Discuss	
B. Fun Run Update	FYI	Angela Harris
C. Board Election Update	Vote	Jamilia Smith
D. Workplan Data	FYI	Kelly Bemus
IV. Finance Committee		
A. Monthly Financials	FYI	Reginald Zackery
V. Birdies Fore Brighten Ad Hoc Committee		
A. Golf Tournament Update	Discuss	Reginald Zackery
VI. Policy/Governance Committee		
VII. Academic Excellence Committee		
VIII. CORE Committee		
IX. Other Business		
A. Public Comment	FYI	Jamilia Smith
X. Closing Items		
A. Adjourn Meeting	FYI	Jamilia Smith

Coversheet

Approval of Minutes

Section: I. Opening Items
Item: D. Approval of Minutes
Purpose: Approve Minutes

Submitted by:

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Minutes for Brighten Academy Charter School Governing Board Meeting on February 10, 2025

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Minutes

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Directors Present

C. Burns Falker, C. Claiborne, J. Smith, K. Moses, M. Vitale, R. Finan, R. Zackery, S. Battle

Directors Absent

D. Carter, N. Lord

Ex Officio Members Present

D. Davis

Non Voting Members Present

D. Davis

Guests Present

K. Bemus, K. Smith, S. Littles

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Smith called a meeting of the board of directors of Brighten Academy to order on Monday Feb 10, 2025 at 7:14 PM.

C. Adoption of Agenda

J. Smith made a motion to approve agenda.

S. Battle seconded the motion.

adopted agenda with additional amendments minutes

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

D. Approval of Minutes

J. Smith made a motion to approve the minutes from Brighten Academy Charter School Governing Board Meeting on 01-27-25.

C. Claiborne seconded the motion.

Matt abstained

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

E. Student Leadership Recognition

II. Executive Director's Report

A. Enrollment Update

enrollment increased. Now at 814 students

B. January Surplus List

1 document camera damaged

10 books damaged

2 computers damaged

III. Executive Committee

A. Strategic Teams Updates

Regina met with Mrs.Davis regarding the survey. Ready to move with next steps and distribute based on the timeline.

Organizational Structure and Effectiveness: Moving well. Will get an update

External Engagement: Shauncey said she will reach out to members on the committee to continue initiatives.

B. Fun Run Update

Ms. Harris provided update. Parents received notification about event. Goal is \$10,000. So far, we have \$450 donated. Next steps, printing flyers for the younger grades to give to parents. Hours have not been solidified yet. Will have more information after winter break. 13% fee associated with profit.

C. Board Training Update

Reminder: Board members must complete training by June 30th. Encouraged members to finish early.

IV. Finance Committee

A. Monthly Financials

Second budget meeting will be Monday, Feb 17th, 2025 at 7pm. A Remind will go out to parents on Tuesday, February 10, 2025. It will be virtual. Must be submitted to the Sentinel too.

V. Birdies Fore Brighten Ad Hoc Committee

A. Golf Tournament Update

Birdies Fore Brighten: As of today, \$0 have been collected. Finance Committee suggested pivoting to a different fundraiser. Discussed a Give or Get option for the board if we choose not to continue with the golf tournament.

Option 1: Move forward with the golf tournament. 40 person minimum. Give or Get being an option.

Option 2: Cancel the golf tournament

Option 3: Put efforts into a different fundraiser

VI. Policy/Governance Committee

A. Policies For Vote

S. Battle made a motion to Accept policies as recommended.

C. Claiborne seconded the motion.

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

VII. Other Business

A. MOU: Department of Homeland Security- Know2Protect Campaign

J. Smith made a motion to Partner with the MOU: Department of Homeland Security to champion the initiative.

S. Battle seconded the motion.

Matt abstained

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

B. Public Comment

C. Executive Session

J. Smith made a motion to To hire an Executive Director for the 2025-2026 School Year.

C. Claiborne seconded the motion.

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

VIII. 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 9:06 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Smith