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## DeKalb Brilliance Academy

### Minutes

#### FY26 Full Board Meetings

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##### Date and Time

Monday November 24, 2025 at 7:00 PM

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##### Directors Present

C. Armour, Jr. (remote), J. Akpan (remote), J. Carruth (remote), J. Counts (remote), L. Norris (remote), M. Freeland (remote), M. Greene (remote), Q. Johnson (remote), S. Samuels (remote)

##### Directors Absent

B. Hartman

##### Guests Present

J. Alter (remote), T. Logan (remote)

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#### I. Opening Items

##### A. Record Attendance

##### B. Call the Meeting to Order

M. Freeland called a meeting of the board of directors of DeKalb Brilliance Academy to order on Monday Nov 24, 2025 at 7:05 PM.

##### C. Approve October meeting minutes

Q. Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes from FY26 Full Board Meetings on 10-27-25.

M. Greene seconded the motion.

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

## **II. Meeting opening**

### **A. Mission and Vision**

Quentin read Mission.

Tiayana read Vision.

### **B. Board Commitments**

### **C. Public Comment**

Mike announced public comment @ 7:15pm

None.

## **III. Committee Updates**

### **A. Finance Committee Updates**

Quentin held the presentation.

- Days cans on hand are in a strong position.
- Expect improvements to the year-end fund balance once the remaining funds in the loan are deposited after the final loan drawdown.
- No other major concerns for this month. Things are squared away with Ed-Tech.

### **B. Academic Committee Updates**

Meshia held the presentation. Jocelyn and Tiayana contributed.

- Will have survey data soon.
- Showed a preview of the new dashboard, but will not have data until next month.
- Quarter 1 attendance tracked well, discipline data favors well.
- Staff investment lower, 61% of staff last year voted well about school, this year an increase at 85%

### **C. Partnerships Committee Update**

Need volunteers to help with:

- setting up campaign pages for annual fundraiser -Curtis stepped up.
- Recruiting new fundraiser board member- Jospeh stepped up.
- lead fundraiser event/silent auction planning- Curtis stepped up

- Reviewing grant applications and recommending those who should apply.- LaKenya/Joseph stepped up

## **IV. School Leadership Report Out**

### **A. School Leader Report Out**

- one termination and one resignation in November
- admin covering cafe manager role
- focused on feedback arc of staff development
- holding steady at 498 students (less than 2% enrollment variance will get all SCSC points)
- November attendance daily at 95% (meeting goal)
- Compliance reports submitted all in the same week
- Fun times: Candy Crawl, SAC & NEHS Induction, Fall Fest, You've Been Booed, Milestones Prep Lunch. TOTY

## **V. Board Workshop**

### **A. Comprehensive Performance Framework (CPF) Discovery Protocol**

Understanding the comprehensive Performance Framework (CPF)

- Renewal for 5 years is the goal because a 2 or 3 year in a K-8 model could be concerning to parents who are preparing for their scholar to be middle school age and wanting them to remain in the same school.
- DBA submits their renewal in January 2026.
- In our 1st year being eligible for this measure DBA surpassed both DeKalb County Schools (scored 68) and the State (scored 75) on progress.
- The board went over a deep review of what is needed for us to be approved for a renewal.

## **VI. Closing Items**

### **A. Team shoutouts**

- Tiayana gave shout out to board for remaining engaged
- Jazmin gave shoutout to Curtis for his kindness
- Mike gave shoutout to board for stepping up to help with Partnerships in Brittany's bereavement

### **B. Meeting closing**

### **C.**

**Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

M. Freeland