



# DeKalb Brilliance Academy

## Minutes

### FY26 Full Board Meetings

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#### Date and Time

Monday April 27, 2026 at 7:00 PM

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#### Pre-work:

- review silent mobile panic alert system quotes [here](#)
- all materials for board meeting are in a folder [here](#).

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#### Directors Present

J. Akpan (remote), J. Carruth (remote), L. Norris (remote), M. Freeland (remote), M. Greene (remote), S. Samuels (remote)

#### Directors Absent

C. Armour, Jr., J. Counts, Q. Johnson

#### Ex Officio Members Present

K. Herbert (remote)

#### Non Voting Members Present

K. Herbert (remote)

#### Guests Present

J. Alter (remote), kedr

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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 Apr 27, 2026 at 7:09 PM.

### C. Approve March meeting minutes

J. Carruth made a motion to approve the minutes from FY26 Full Board Meetings on 03-23-26.

M. Greene seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

|                |        |
|----------------|--------|
| J. Akpan       | Aye    |
| M. Greene      | Aye    |
| J. Counts      | Absent |
| J. Carruth     | Aye    |
| C. Armour, Jr. | Absent |
| M. Freeland    | Aye    |
| Q. Johnson     | Absent |
| L. Norris      | Aye    |

## II. Board votes

### A. Charter Enrollment Cap Amendment

M. Greene made a motion to I move that the Governing Board of DeKalb Brilliance Academy approve the Resolution Authorizing Submission of a Charter Amendment Request to the State Charter Schools Commission of Georgia to increase the school's enrollment cap from 588 students to 620 students, effective for the 2026–2027 school year.

J. Carruth seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

|                |        |
|----------------|--------|
| M. Greene      | Aye    |
| L. Norris      | Aye    |
| S. Samuels     | Absent |
| C. Armour, Jr. | Absent |
| J. Akpan       | Aye    |
| J. Counts      | Absent |
| J. Carruth     | Aye    |
| Q. Johnson     | Absent |

**Roll Call**

M. Freeland Aye

**B. Cleaning contract vote**

J. Akpan made a motion to I move that the Governing Board of DeKalb Brilliance Academy approve the Constant Contract as the Custodial Services Vendor for the 2026-2027 School Year.

L. Norris seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

C. Armour, Jr. Absent

J. Counts Absent

M. Greene Aye

S. Samuels Absent

J. Akpan Aye

Q. Johnson Absent

L. Norris Aye

J. Carruth Aye

M. Freeland Aye

**III. Executive Session**

**A. Motion to enter executive session**

M. Greene made a motion to I move that the Board enter executive session pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1) and O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4 for the purpose of consulting with legal counsel regarding matters protected by the attorney-client privilege.

J. Akpan seconded the motion.

enter at 7:38pm

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

**Roll Call**

M. Freeland Aye

S. Samuels Absent

Q. Johnson Absent

C. Armour, Jr. Absent

J. Counts Absent

M. Greene Aye

J. Akpan Aye

J. Carruth Aye

L. Norris Aye

**B. Motion to exit executive session**

J. Carruth made a motion to I move that the Board exit executive session and return to open session.

J. Akpan seconded the motion.

exit at 7:54

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

**Roll Call**

|                |        |
|----------------|--------|
| M. Freeland    | Aye    |
| Q. Johnson     | Absent |
| J. Carruth     | Aye    |
| L. Norris      | Aye    |
| M. Greene      | Aye    |
| C. Armour, Jr. | Absent |
| J. Akpan       | Aye    |
| S. Samuels     | Absent |
| J. Counts      | Absent |

**IV. Closing Items**

**A. Team shoutouts**

**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 8:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
M. Freeland