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DeKalb Brilliance Academy

Minutes

FY26 Full Board Meetings

Date and Time

Monday June 1, 2026 at 7:00 PM

Pre-work:

- review FY27 budget materials [here](#).
 - all materials for board meeting are in a folder [here](#).
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Directors Present

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

C. Armour, Jr.

Ex Officio Members Present

E. Parks (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

E. Parks (remote)

Guests Present

J. Alter (remote)

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 Jun 1, 2026 at 7:04 PM.

C. Approve April meeting minutes

J. Counts made a motion to approve the minutes from FY26 Full Board Meetings on 04-27-26.

M. Greene seconded the motion.

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

II. Meeting opening

A. Mission and Vision

J. Counts read Mission

L. Norris read Vision

B. Board Commitments

C. Public Comment

None.

III. Committee Updates

A. Governance Committee

- New Board members need to complete their required SCSC training hours
- Tenured Members completed their hours.
- Due by June 30th, 2026

B. Finance Committee Updates

- Both public budget hearings and S&P rating presentation complete
- 107 cash on hand
- Despite the mid year \$400k revenue decrease the school is projected to end the year in line with approved FY26 budget

C. Partnership Committee Report Out

- all board members have an annual give/get commitment of \$1500 by June 30th

IV. School Leadership Report Out

A. School Leader Report Out

- 26-27 hiring: 654 applicants so far
- 47 of 56 staff hired
- enrollment - 734 applicants (for 200 offered seats)
- fully enrolled for 26-27 school year
- currently 674 students enrolled for 620 seats (we over enroll to anticipate attrition.)
- Celebration of Learning
- Fourt Grade Cook Out
- Kinder Moving Up

V. Board votes

A. FY27 Budget Vote

Q. Johnson made a motion to adopt the FY27 budget.

J. Carruth seconded the motion.

\$10.5 projected revenue

\$10.3 projected expenses

\$179k+ net

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

B. Summer 2026 facility vendor vote

1. Floor Resurfacing-

- not routine wear and tear or a maintenance issue it stems from moisture/efflorescence between the LVT tiles
- it is impossible to remove
- very uncommon issue (builders & architects have not seen previously)
- repairs are needed now to keep the facility clean and safe

2. SPED Classroom Adjustment: to address self-contained SPED enrollment being larger than projected; the work combines two smaller rooms into one larger classroom

Funding Source: Remaining restricted construction loan funds

Recommendation- Georgia Specialties

Q. Johnson made a motion to approve Georgia Specialties as the vendor for the summer 2026 facility projects.

J. Counts seconded the motion.

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

C. Executive contract vote

Q. Johnson made a motion to offer Head of School contract, as written by school legal counsel and as recommended by the Governance Committee to Jocelyn Alter.

M. Greene seconded the motion.

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

VI. Closing Items

A. Team shoutouts

- Jocelyn gives a shoutout to Quentin for his leadership
- Jazmin gave shout out to board in coming together to support Michael with his family loss
- Eva gives shout out to Quentin for his leadership
- Quentin gives shout out to finance committee for their support
- Mike gave shout out to Sharicka, Jenea and LaKenya for their 1st year, and to the more seasoned board members for their continued commitment

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 7:48 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Counts