

GEO Academies EBR

Minutes

GEO Academies EBR Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday January 30, 2024 at 12:00 PM

Location

GEO Academies EBR
Administration Building
2311 N. Sherwood Forest Dr.
Baton Rouge, LA 70815

Directors Present

D. Dixon, D. Slan, D. Williams, J. Lewis, N. Frank, T. Wade

Directors Absent

K. Smith

Guests Present

D. Teasley, K. Teasley, M. Grand, S. Norman

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

T. Wade called a meeting of the board of directors of GEO Academies EBR to order on Tuesday Jan 30, 2024 at 12:08 PM.

C. Approve Agenda

D. Williams made a motion to Approve the Agenda.

D. Dixon seconded the motion.

Chair Tamiara Wade called for Public Comment; none was offered.

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

D.

Approve Board Meeting Minutes - October 12, 2023

J. Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes from October 12, 2023.

D. Williams seconded the motion.

Chair Tamiara Wade called for Public Comment; none was offered.

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

E. Approve Board Minutes - December 8, 2023

D. Slan made a motion to approve the minutes from GEO Academies EBR Board Meeting on 12-08-23.

J. Lewis seconded the motion.

Chair Tamiara Wade called for Public Comment; none was offered.

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

F. Approve Meeting Minutes - November 14, 2023

D. Slan made a motion to approve the minutes from GEO Academies EBR Board Meeting on 11-14-23.

D. Williams seconded the motion.

Chair Tamiara Wade called for Public Comment; none was offered.

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

II. Discussion Items

A. Update on Meeting with Dr. Cade Brumley

At the request of the Chair, Board Counsel Melissa Grand shared an update on a meeting State Superintendent Cade Brumley held with Tamiara Wade, Melissa Grand, Kevin Teasley and Dana Teasley, noting the focus was on solutions and working together.

B. Board Retreat

The Board discussed the need for a Board retreat, providing numerous topics for inclusion. Jada Lewis, Daisy Slan, and Derrick Williams volunteered to serve on a Retreat Planning Committee and will plan and draft an agenda, and coordinate with all stakeholders (i.e., Louisiana Department of Education, LAPCS, and GEO Foundation).

III. Action Items

A. Board Committee Selections

D. Slan made a motion to Open the Floor for Committee Selections.

D. Williams seconded the motion.

Board members set the following committees via consensus:

Governance: Jada Lewis, Kristen Smith

Academic: Daisy Slan, Debra Dixon, Shirlon Norman
Finance: Norma Frank, Derrick Williams, Dana Teasley

Board Counsel reminded Board members that all committee meetings are subject to Open Meeting requirements.

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

B. BRCC Invoice - Fall 2023 Tuition Dual Enrollment Students

J. Lewis made a motion to Direct Board Treasurer Dr. Norma Frank to work with Dana Teasley in requesting an extension from BRCC regarding outstanding invoice payment to be made upon receipt of MFP funding payment from LDOE.

D. Slan seconded the motion.

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

IV. Executive Session

A. Enter into Executive Session

D. Williams made a motion to Move into Executive Session for the Board to receive legal advice from Board Counsel pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17(4).

D. Slan seconded the motion.

Chair Tamiara Wade called for Public Comment; none was offered.

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

Roll Call

D. Slan Aye
J. Lewis Aye
T. Wade Aye
K. Smith Absent
D. Dixon Aye
N. Frank Aye
D. Williams Aye

During Executive Session, the matters discussed were limited to discussion with Board Counsel pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17(4). No final or binding action was taken during Executive Session.

D. Slan made a motion to Move out of Executive Session into Regular Session.

D. Williams seconded the motion.

Chair Tamiara Wade called for Public Comment; none was offered.

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

Roll Call

D. Slan Aye
T. Wade Aye
K. Smith Absent
N. Frank Aye
D. Dixon Aye

Roll Call

J. Lewis Aye

D. Williams Aye

V. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

D. Williams made a motion to Adjourn the Meeting.

D. Slan seconded the motion.

Chair Tamiara Wade called for Public Comment; none was offered.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 2:39 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

M. Grand