# **GEO Academies EBR**

## **Minutes**

## GEO Academies EBR February Board Meeting

#### **Date and Time**

Thursday February 6, 2025 at 5:00 PM

#### Location

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

THE GEO ACADEMIES MISSION is to EMPOWER students to ACCELERATE their academic pathways to ADVANCE their social mobility and ACHIEVE their career and life-long goals.

Access the meeting virtually here.

## **Directors Present**

B. Lilly, D. Dixon, D. Slan, J. Lewis, J. Miller, N. Frank

## **Directors Absent**

D. Williams, L. Triggs

## Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

J. Miller

#### **Guests Present**

Brett Hunt, C. Ebey, D. Henry, D. Teasley, K. Forbes, K. Pitts, K. Teasley, Ronnie Davis, S. Norman, Trayvonia Duhe

## I. Opening Items

- A. Record Attendance
- B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Lewis called a meeting of the board of directors of GEO Academies EBR to order on Thursday Feb 6, 2025 at 5:01 PM.

## C. Approve Minutes

- D. Dixon made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 01-24-25.
- D. Slan seconded the motion.

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

#### D. Approve Minutes

- N. Frank made a motion to approve the minutes from GEO BR Board Meeting on 12-19-24.
- D. Slan seconded the motion.

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

#### II. Academic Update

## A. Superintendent Report

Presentation from Dana and Kevin Teasley and school principals regarding:

- 1. Introduction of students who are on track to earn an Associate's Degree
- 2. Update on the Facility refinancing process for Sherwood and Platt Properties
- 3. Principals share out mid-year data for their respective schools
- 4. Implementation of Micro Academies in 9-12
- 5. 10-year anniversary celebration
- J. Miller arrived at 5:43 PM.

## III. Facility

## A. Facility needs and opportunities

Discussion on facility expansion opportunities.

- B. Lilly made a motion to modify the agenda (item 3A) from a discussion item to an action item.
- N. Frank seconded the motion.

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

## Roll Call

- L. Triggs AbsentJ. Lewis Aye
- D. Dixon Aye
- D. Slan Aye
- N. Frank Aye
- J. Miller Aye
- B. Lilly Aye
- D. Williams Absent

- D. Slan made a motion to Submit a material amendment to the Louisiana Department of Education requesting that the contract with GEO Academies EBR Inc. for GEO Prep Mid-City be changed to add an additional location at 555 Julia Street, Baton Rouge, LA, 70802.
- D. Dixon seconded the motion.

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

#### IV. Finance

#### A. 2nd Quarter Financial Review

Kathy Pitts, School Business Officer, and the Board discussed Q2 school financials.

#### B. 2024-25 Audit Review

Kathy Pitts, School Business Officer, and the Board discussed 2024-25 School Audits

#### V. Governance

#### A. Board Retreat

Discussion regarding the board scheduling a retreat and identifying a date and priorities

- B. Lilly made a motion to identify a date for the retreat in April.
- D. Dixon seconded the motion.

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

## VI. 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 6:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

- C. Ebey
- N. Frank made a motion to Adjourn the meeting.
- D. Dixon seconded the motion.

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