

Next Generation Charter Schools

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday January 22, 2026 at 6:30 PM EST

Location

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Mission

At Next Generation, we believe in the unlimited talent and intellectual potential of our scholars and our community. We cultivate this talent and intellectual potential through a progressive education that focuses on deep exploration, thoughtful questioning, relentless curiosity and critical thinking. Next Generation Charter School implements a progressive K-12 educational program and an unyielding commitment to cultivating our scholars' innate intellectual talents to empower our graduates to achieve excellence in their postsecondary paths and make positive impacts on the broader community. Every single one of our scholars have the potential to be great and change the world, at Nuasin Next Generation we prepare our scholars for that opportunity.

3 Pillars

The Mission of Next Generation stands firmly on the foundation of our three pillars: Rigor, Self-Advocacy, and Community. These three pillars are the guiding principles for our school and culture. Please find a deeper explanation of our pillars below.

Rigor:

We use the word “rigor” not in the stringent or inflexible sense, but in the sense of an unyielding need to challenge and push our scholars because we understand and believe in the potential, talent, and ability of our scholars and community. We challenge our scholars to build their confidence and help them realize what they can achieve.

Self-Advocacy:

Our scholars are empowered to advocate for themselves, their families, and their communities. As our scholars come to understand that their voices are valued and needed, they learn to advocate for themselves. Our scholars are seen and valued; they understand that not only do they have the right to express their opinions, views, and perspectives, but it is their obligation to do so.

Community:

Our scholars will embrace community and understand that as a member of a community you have certain inalienable rights, the right to be seen, the right to be heard, the right to be protected and the right to be loved and cherished. Our scholars will also learn of their obligations. As a member of a community you have the obligation to respect, listen, support and only want and assume the best in all others. Every member of our community must understand that they are active participants in the Nuasin community and the community goes as we go.

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			6:30 PM
Opening Items			
A.	Record Attendance and Guests	Raymond Johnson	1 m
B.	Call the Meeting to Order	Aaron Bothner	1 m
C.	Review the Agenda	Discuss Aaron Bothner	1 m
D.	Board Meeting Updates	Discuss Aaron Bothner	2 m
II. Mission and Pillars Board Reflection			6:35 PM
A.	Community	Discuss John Scott	5 m
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III. Votes			6:40 PM
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<p>A. Policy Vote for Next Generation Charter Schools Ed Corp</p>	Vote	Aaron Bothner	25 m
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- A vote to confirm the Second Amended and Restated Bylaws
- A vote to confirm the Conflict of Interest Policy
- A vote to confirm the Code of Ethics
- A vote to confirm the Whistleblower Policy
- A vote to confirm the 25-26 Board and Committee Meeting Calendars
- A vote to confirm the Public Comment Policy
- A vote to confirm the Engagement Letter
- A vote to confirm the Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form
- A vote to confirm the Trustees of Next Generation Charter Schools
 - Aaron Bothner, slate A
 - Jessica Boulet, slate A
 - Ellen Chen, slate A
 - Sophia Huda, slate A
 - Tim Bryan, slate B
 - Aluta Khanyie, slate B
 - Khari Shabazz, slate B
 - Michael Dorrie, slate B
 - Kamaria Brisseau, slate B
 - John Scott, slate B
 - Nnamdi Orakwue, slate A
 - Diahann Billings-Burford, slate A
- A vote to elect the Officers of Next Generation Charter Schools
 - Chairperson, Aaron Bothner
 - Vice Chairperson, Khari Shabazz
 - Treasurer, Tim Bryan
 - Secretary, Jessica Boulet
- A vote to fix the number of Trustees on the Board of Next Generation Schools (12)

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A vote to establish Committees of the Next Generation Charter Schools Board of Trustees and election of committee members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Governance Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jessica Boulet, committee chair ▪ Aaron Bother ▪ Ellen Chen ▪ Khari Shabazz ▪ Kamaria Brisseau ◦ Finance and Audit Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Aaron Bother, committee chair ▪ Ellen Chen ▪ Tim Bryan ▪ Kamaria Brisseau ◦ Nominating Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Aaron Bother, committee chair ▪ Ellen Chen ▪ Kamaria Brisseau ◦ Education and Accountability Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ellen Chen, committee chair ▪ Khari Shabazz ▪ Diahann Billings- Burford ◦ Expansion Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ John Scott, committee chair ▪ Aaron Bother • A vote to ratify the submission of the 501c3 application for Next Generation Charter Schools • A vote to approve and adopt budget and finance-related resolutions • A vote to approve and adopt resolutions (re: bank accounts) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ To change the name on all accounts to Next Generation Schools • A vote to approve request for materials revision to the charter of Next Generation Charter School, for a planning year, to delay the opening of the school for one year, to SY-2027-28, and to authorize the submission revision request to the SUNY Charter Schools Institute. 			
IV. School Update			7:05 PM
A. Update from Executive Director	Discuss	Malik Russell	3 m
B. K-4 Update	Discuss	Joi Culler	3 m

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C. 5-8 Update	Discuss	Kurt Davidson	3 m
D. 9-12 Update	Discuss	Anthony Brown	3 m
E. K-12 Ops Update	Discuss	Melissa Alston	3 m
V. Nominating Committee Update			7:20 PM
A. Nominating Committee Update	FYI	Aaron Bothner	2 m
VI. Education Committee Update			7:22 PM
A. Education Committee Update	Discuss	Ellen Chen	2 m
VII. Finance Committee Update			7:24 PM
A. Finance Committee Update	Discuss	Tim Bryan	5 m
B. Approve November and December Financials	Vote	Aaron Bothner	3 m
VIII. Expansion Committee Update			7:32 PM
A. Expansion Update	Discuss	John Scott	5 m
IX. Governance Committee Update			7:37 PM
A. Governance Committee Update	Discuss	Jessica Boulet	2 m
B. Approve Minutes	Approve Minutes	Aaron Bothner	2 m
	Approve minutes for Board Meeting on December 11, 2025		
C. Trustee Goal Setting Reflection	FYI	Jessica Boulet	2 m
X. Public Comments			7:43 PM
A. Public Comments	FYI	Aaron Bothner	1 m
	Attendees may address the Board		
XI. Executive Session			7:44 PM

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A. Executive Session proposed for the purposes of the proposed acquisition, sale, or lease of real property or proposed acquisition of securities or sale or exchange of securities, held by such a public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof.	Discuss	Aaron Bothner	15 m
B. Executive Session Proposed for the discussion of the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation;	Discuss	Aaron Bothner	15 m
XII. Closing Items			8:14 PM
A. Adjourn Meeting	Discuss	Aaron Bothner	1 m
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Action Items • Next Board Meeting date • Adjourn 			