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Next Generation Charter Schools

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday January 22, 2026 at 6:30 PM

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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.

Trustees Present
A. Bothner (remote), A. Khanyile (remote), J. Boulet (remote), K. Brisseau (remote), K. Shabazz (remote), M. Dorrie (remote), N. Orakwue (remote), T. Bryan (remote)

Trustees Absent
D. Billing-Burford, E. Chen, J. Scott, S. Huda

Guests Present
A. Brown (remote), C. Polanco (remote), J. Culler (remote), J. Keeney (remote), K. Davidson (remote), M. Alston (remote), M. Russell (remote), R. Johnson (remote), S. Kochar (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

A. Bothner called a meeting of the board of trustees of Next Generation Charter Schools to order on Thursday Jan 22, 2026 at 6:52 PM.

C. Review the Agenda

RJ, reviewed the agenda for this evening.

D. Board Meeting Updates

AB, shared there were no board meeting updates.

E. Approve Minutes

A. Bothner made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 12-11-25.
A. Khanyile seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

A. Bothner	Aye
K. Brisseau	Aye
A. Khanyile	Aye
D. Billing-Burford	Absent
N. Orakwue	Aye
S. Huda	Absent
J. Boulet	Aye
M. Dorrie	Aye
T. Bryan	Aye
K. Shabazz	Aye
E. Chen	Absent
J. Scott	Absent

II. Votes

A. Policy Vote for Next Generation Charter Schools Ed Corp

A. Bothner made a motion to Vote to confirm the second amended and restated bylaws.
A. Khanyile seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
A. Bothner made a motion to Vote all confirm items on agenda.
K. Shabazz seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
A. Bothner made a motion to Approve the votes split up by bylaws and all confirm all items on agenda.
T. Bryan seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. School Update

A.

Update from Executive Director

B. K-4 Update

JC, shared the following

Foundations (K-2) EOY Assessments:

- 65% achieve mastery on the EOY Assessment
- 10% growth from BOY to EOY unit Assessments

ELA

- Gr3: Increase by 15% (77%)
- Gr4: Increase by 15% (71%)

Math

- Gr3: Maintain 80%
- Gr4: Maintain 88%

C. 5-8 Update

KD, shared the following

ELA

- Gr5: Increase by 15% (81%)
- Gr6: Increase by 20% (66%)
- Gr7: Maintain 72%
    - Reduce number of 1s by 50%
- Gr8: Increase by 15% (80%)

Math

- Gr5: Increase by 15% (85%)
- Gr6: Increase by 28% (80%)
- Gr7: Maintain 71%
    - Reduce number of 1s by 50% (8 students max)
- Algebra 1: 90% credit and passing

Overarching Goal

- By June 2026, strengthen collaboration across all middle school teams and deepen shared responsibility for equitable, individualized support for every scholar.

D. 9-12 Update

AB, shared the following

January Academic Focus

- Timeline Items
  - Final Exams- Audience all scholars
  - Impact:critical assessment of semester mastery
  - Regents- Selected seniors and juniors
  - Contributing to the 75%passing rate
- Instructional focus aligned to outcomes
  - Support differentiation needed for credit recovery and diverse learners needs
  - Directly improves instruction and scholars outcomes
  - Support the goal of 50% of scholars attaining a 3 or higher on AP exams
- March 10th career day. All are welcome to join.

E. K-12 Ops Update

MA, shared the following;

- Enrollment
  - 884 Authorizer goal
  - 888 Current enrollment
  - 916 Operational goal
- Talent
  - Two new hires at the HS.
    - One offer out waiting for a response
    - Two additional vacancies
- Budget 27 Timeline
  - Analysis
  - Budget update- MAY
  - Org Chart Re assessment- MARCH
  - Org Chart Salary Board Approval- APRIL
  - Informal Board Preview- MARCH
  - Budget Edits- MAY
  - Offer Letter_MAY
  - Budget Approval- MAY/JUNE
- Compliance
  - SUNY
    - Facilities agreements
    - Board meeting minutes

- Next Generation Contact Info

IV. Nominating Committee Update

A. Nominating Committee Update

AB, chairperson, shared there are no updates.

V. Education Committee Update

A. Education Committee Update

EC, chairperson was absent. AB, shared there were no updates.

VI. Expansion Committee Update

A. Expansion Update

MR, executive director, shared there are no updates.

VII. Governance Committee Update

A. Governance Committee Update

JB, chairperson, shared there are no updates.

B. Trustee Goal Setting Reflection

JB, chairperson, shared there were no updates

VIII. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

AB, shared there are no public comment.

IX. 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 8:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Bothner