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# The Main Street Academy

## Minutes

### Governing Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Tuesday October 1, 2024 at 6:00 PM

#### Location

The Main Street Academy  
2861 Lakeshore Drive  
College Park, GA 30337

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#### Directors Present

Chanel Recasner, Kanetha Stephens, Kenya Morris, Lisa Bentley-Whieldon, Michael Glanton, Nkiruka Onyia, Shameka Smith, Tangi Bush, Esq., Tangie Warrior

#### Directors Absent

Damion Dunn

#### Ex Officio Members Present

Dr. Chad Owes, Keyona Revere

#### Non Voting Members Present

Dr. Chad Owes, Keyona Revere

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B.

### **Call the Meeting to Order**

Lisa Bentley-Whieldon called a meeting of the board of directors of The Main Street Academy to order on Tuesday Oct 1, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

### **C. Approval of the Agenda**

Lisa Bentley-Whieldon made a motion to To approve the October 1, 2024 meeting agenda.

Shameka Smith seconded the motion.

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

### **D. Approve Minutes from 7.30.24 Governing Board Meeting**

Lisa Bentley-Whieldon made a motion to approve the minutes from Governing Board Meeting on 08-27-24.

Kanetha Stephens seconded the motion.

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

### **E. Public Comment**

No public comments submitted for September 2024 meeting.

## **II. Committee Reports**

### **A. Budget and Finance Committee**

August 2024 financial report presented by John Stiffler, CFO

Financial Statements August 2024

Income: \$1,836,485

Expense: \$1,595,711

Surplus/Deficit: \$240,774

Cash on Hand YTD: \$1,860,713

Cash on Hand Days YTD: 57

Fundraising

Mrs. Smith presented brunch as a fundraising idea. Possible date February 2025.

Kanetha Stephens made a motion to approve August 2024 financial report by John Stiffler, CFO.

Tangie Warrior seconded the motion.

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

### **B. Governance Committee**

August 2024 Governance Committee Report presented by Tangi Bush

- Mrs. Bush will circulate dates for board training; will need feedback on dates by 12/15
- Discussed recruitment measures; how to ensure that recruits attend board meetings
- Continued conversations for succession planning

### **C. Academic and School Performance Committee**

August 2024 Academic and School Performance Committee Report presented by Lisa Bentley-Whieldon

- Reviewed current ASP data presented by Principal Revere; discussed trends accross each grade level and compared to the state, county, and other south fulton schools
- Reviewed plan developed by teachers (presented by Principal Revere) focusing on improving schoolwide ELA, Reading, and Math GMAS scores
- TMSA Renewal Petition Interview Prep - discussed schoolwide initiatives currently in place to drive improvement
- Discussed faculty representative and how to keep the representative engaged.

## **III. Staff Reports**

### **A. Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director's report presented by Dr. Chad Owes

General School Updates

- TMSA supports Apalachee High School
- Safety and Security is a priority for TMSA
- ED is asking TMSA parents and community to monitor social media. Report as necessary. Report via FCS tip line or TMSA admin
- In the event of an emergency, TMSA will communicate appropriate information.

New Faculty Representative

- Congratulations to Melba Smith, Middle School Curriculum Coordinator & ESOL

Charter Renewal Update

- Charter Renewal application and petition completed; sent to FCS and State Charter Schools Commission
- Board Capacity Interview - October 7

- Board to review petition packet before capacity interview

#### Compliance Due Date - snapshot

- Reviewed Upcoming due dates

#### Fundraising

- Seeking corporate sponsors, donors, players, and volunteers for 1st annual TMSA golf tournament (April 25, 2025)

#### Donations

- Thank you to Life Cycle Learning Center for furniture donation

#### Facilities

- Congratulations to TMSA Kitchen Staff. Received 100% on a surprise health inspection
- Two new donkeys for agriculture science program

#### Student enrollment

- Enrollment as of 10/1 - 833
- Enrollment may drop due enrollment verification/immunization audits

#### HR & Staffing

- Fully staffed as of 10/1
- Congratulations to Teacher of the Year, Mr. J. Lackey; Support Professional of the Year, M. Smallwood
- Still waiting to receive funds from Governor's Salary Stipend; once received will be paid out to staff immediately
- Finance Committee reviewed and discussed staff salary increases

Shameka Smith made a motion to approve the Fulton County Schools 2024-2025 assurances with added attorney clause.

Chanel Recasner seconded the motion.

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

## B. Principal's Report

September 2024 Principal's Report presented by K.C. Revere

#### School Highlight

- PBIS Soar Team recognized for the 1st pep rally of the school year.
- 1st Club Day - Sept 13, 2024

- Teacher Workday - external facilitators were onsite to prepare and collaborate on the school improvement plan; highlighted with teacher/staff kickball game for teambuilding
- Curriculum Night - students/teachers shared project based learning (PBL) experiences
- Staff Appreciation - Screen on the Green with TMSA staff
- Super Saturdays - mobile TMSA popup shop during flag football games

#### Student Achievement

##### GMAS

- GMAS Math scores release 9/30. Improvements in 3rd, 4th, and 8th for number of distinguished students
- GMAS ELA for Elementary - growth year to year has improved; in line with FCS; ahead of the state
- GMAS Math for Elementary - growth year to year improved
- GMAS ELA for Middle - growth year to year improved; ahead of both FCS and State
- GMAS Math for Middle - growth year to year improved
- Also saw year to year growth in 5th and 8th science GMAS scores and 8th grade social studies GMAS scores
- GMAS scores for elementary compared to neighborhood schools, TMSA outperformed all schools in ELA (2024), all schools but 1 for math (2023, 2024 data to be added)
- GMAS scores for middle compared to neighborhood school, TMSA outperformed all schools in ELA (2024); all schools but 1 for math (2023, 2024 data to be added).

##### MAP (Fall 2024)

- Achievement Overview (Reading) all grades - 55th percentile
- Achievement Overview (Math) all grades - 48th percentile

##### Coming Soon (Sept/Oct 2024)

- Flag football (various dates)
- Picture Day 9/30
- Pilot ELA GMA (7th grade) 10/1
- PSAT (7th/8th grade) 10/7
- ESOL Night 10/9
- Fall Break 10/14-10/15
- Professional Development day 10/16

## IV. President's Report

### A. Updates from the Governing Board Chair

August 2024 President's Report presented by Chanel Recasner

- Reminder - Board Interview 10/7 at 10:00am; meet at TMSA at 8:30a to carpool
- Mrs. Pearson has asked for the board to donate gift cards for New Parent Social on 10/23.

**V. 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 7:33 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Chanel Recasner