

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees

Voting Members

Ms. Tracy Rookard, Chair

Mr. Devetrion Caldwell, Vice Chair

Mr. D.T. Jackson, Board Member & Deputy Legislative Liaison

Ms. Michelle Simmons, Board Member

Mr. Glenn Easterwood, Board Member & Legislative Liaison

Non-Voting Members

Mr. Trent North, Superintendent

Dr. Michelle Ruble, Associate Superintendent of General Administration

Kwame Carr, Assistant Superintendent of District Operations

Melanie Manley, Assistant Superintendent

Mrs. Pam Nail, Assistant Superintendent

Tracey Whaley, Chief of Police

Holly Timms, Chief Financial Officer

Portia Lake, Interim Executive Director of Communications

Shawnta Jones, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

III. Moment of Silent Reflection

IV. Election of Board Officers

Superintendent North declared the floor open for Board Chair nominations.

Ms. Tracy Rookard declared the floor open for all other nominations.

A. Board Chair

A motion was made to nominate Ms. Tracy Rookard for Board Chair.

Motion made by: Mr. Devetrion Caldwell

Motion seconded by: Mr. Glenn Easterwood

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

B. Vice Chair

A motion was made to nominate Mr. Devetrion Caldwell for Vice Chair.

Motion made by: Mr. D.T. Jackson
Motion seconded by: Mr. Glenn Easterwood
Voting:
Ms. Tracy Rookard - Yes
Ms. Michelle Simmons - No
Mr. Devetrion Caldwell - Yes
Mr. D.T. Jackson - Yes
Mr. Glenn Easterwood - Yes

C. Legislative Liaison

A motion was made to nominate Mr. Glenn Easterwood for Legislative Liaison.

Motion made by: Ms. Tracy Rookard
Motion seconded by: Mr. Devetrion Caldwell
Voting:
Ms. Tracy Rookard - Yes
Ms. Michelle Simmons - Abstain
Mr. Devetrion Caldwell - Yes
Mr. D.T. Jackson - Yes
Mr. Glenn Easterwood - Yes

D. Deputy Legislative Liaison

A motion was made to nominate Mr. D.T. Jackson for Deputy Legislative Liaison.

Motion made by: Mr. Devetrion Caldwell
Motion seconded by: Mr. Glenn Easterwood
Voting:
Ms. Tracy Rookard - Yes
Ms. Michelle Simmons - Abstain
Mr. Devetrion Caldwell - Yes
Mr. D.T. Jackson - Yes
Mr. Glenn Easterwood - Yes

E. Sergeant at Arms

No motion for a nomination at this time.

V. Mission, Vision and Beliefs

VI. District Strategic Goals

VII. Setting of Agenda

Motion made by: Mr. D.T. Jackson
Motion seconded by: Ms. Tracy Rookard
Voting:
Unanimously Approved

VIII. Board Recognition

IX. Audience Participation

X. New Business

XI. Work Session Presentations

A. Annual Report

B. Budget Timeline/Goals

XII. Action Items

A. Code of Ethics Adoption

Motion made by: Mr. D.T. Jackson

Motion seconded by: Mr. Devetion Caldwell

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

XIII. Work Session Board Agenda Items

A. Minutes of Previous Meeting

1. December 5, 2022 Work Session/Board Meeting Minutes

2. December 5, 2022 Executive Session Minutes

B. Communications

C. Finance

D. General Administration

1. Board Policy JBD: Absences and Excuses

2. School Calendars for 2023-2024, 2024-2025, and 2025-2026

E. Operations

F. Personnel

G. Program for Exceptional Children

H. School Nutrition

I. Student Services

1. Brighten Academy FY 23 State Charter School Facilities Grant Award (2)

2. Movement School Atlanta

J. Teaching and Learning

K. Technology

XIV. Information Only

A. Overnight and Out of State Field Trips

XV. Board Member Comments and Announcements

- Mr. Glenn Easterwood had no additional comments.
- Mr. D.T Jackson wished everyone a Happy New Year as well as welcomed Ms. Jones as the executive assistant. He encouraged everyone to have a good rest of the school year.
- Ms. Michelle Simmons explained why she chose not to participate in the democratic process of selecting roles this year. She thanked the citizens that voted for her in District 4.
- Ms. Tracy Rookard thanked the Board Members for their service and mentioned that roles will shift here and there. In addition, Ms. Rookard assured everyone that the Board would move forward as one unit. They will be united and cohesive while moving the school system forward.
- Mr. Devetron Caldwell thanked everyone for their condolences regarding the loss of his grandmother. He appreciates all the love and support. Mr. Caldwell stated that he and the Board would continue to move forward to do the will of the students in the school system.
- Superintendent North thanked his team.

A. Next Board Meeting: January 17, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

XVI. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

XVII. Executive Session

The Board did not go into Executive Session.