

FSUS CHARTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

Meeting

Tuesday, October 14, 2025, 3:30 PM

FSUS Auditorium

Members Present: Darryl Marshall, Chair; Dr. Brandon Bowden; Jimmy Cole; Doug Cook; Dr. Jimmie Davis; Dr. Toby Park-Gaghan; Jenn Gayre; Amanda Grace

Members Absent:

Dr. Rosezetta Bobo, Vice Chair; Katie Perkins

Ex Officio Members Present: Dr. Christopher Small, Executive Director; Camille Neff, Student Representative; Lauren Mixon, Teacher Representative

Staff and Guests Present: Megan Brink, Principal; Monica Broome, ESE Director; Dr. Megan Crombie, Director of Research, Data and Learning; Opal McKinney-Williams, Board Counsel; Anthony Robinson, Athletics Director; Brad Rohrer, Chief Financial Officer; Pock'o Vause, Assistant Director, Campus Operations; Kate Wasson, Board Clerk

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Marshall called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM and led the board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Student Recognition

Melissa Harris, K-5 Dean of Discipline and Attendance, recognized the recipients of the Student of the Month program, which highlights the character, effort, and positive contributions of elementary students.

Approval of Agenda

Dr. Bowden moved the approval of the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Davis and passed without objection.

Student Report

Ms. Neff offered the following updates:

- Student Government representatives will be meeting with other student councils in the upcoming D1 conference to discuss new SGA initiatives and participate in teambuilding activities. Another conference is planned for 12/14/25 at the Capitol.

FSUS student Brooke Baum, District Secretary, will lead in the conference's planning.

- The annual Carnival has been planned for the end of October.
- SGA will sponsor "Thankful Week" the week prior to Thanksgiving, with this year's focus on teacher and staff appreciation.
- SGA will sponsor Winter Week during exam week to boost morale and motivate students.

Teacher Report

Ms. Mixon offered the following updates:

- Voting has concluded for the Teacher of the Year, Employee of the Year, and Rising Star awards.
- Middle School Parent Tech Night will be held on 10/14/25.
- Red Ribbon Week is scheduled for the final week of October and will include an elementary door decorating contest and dress-up days.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Gayre moved the approval of the 9/9/25 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Dr. Park-Gaghan and passed without objection.

Action Items

Dr. Bowden moved the approval of Policy 3.25, Automated External Defibrillator. The motion was seconded by Dr. Davis and passed without objection.

Dr. Davis moved the approval of Policy 5.90, Foreign Exchange Students. The motion was seconded by Dr. Bowden and passed without objection.

Dr. Davis moved the tentative approval of Policy 2.11, Orientation and Training of Board Members. The motion was seconded by Dr. Bowden and passed without objection.

Dr. Bowden moved the tentative approval of Policy 2.50, School Board Participation in Activities. The motion was seconded by Dr. Davis and passed without objection.

Dr. Bowden moved the tentative approval of Policy 3.14, Suicide Prevention. The motion was seconded by Dr. Park-Gaghan and passed without objection.

Mr. Cole moved the tentative approval of Policy 5.14, Homeless Education. The motion was seconded by Dr. Park-Gaghan and passed without objection.

Dr. Bowden moved the tentative approval of Policy 5.62, Administration of Medication. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cole and passed without objection.

Dr. Davis moved the tentative approval of Policy 8.64, Bring Your Own Device. The motion was seconded by Dr. Bowden and passed without objection.

Dr. Bowden moved the approval of the Quarterly Safety Compliance Notice. The motion was seconded by Dr. Park-Gaghan and passed without objection.

Informational Items

Dr. Small reported a committee was being assembled to address a possible exemption for the new school start time requirement. The committee will develop a memorandum outlining the school's current structure, staff availability, and number of students with siblings in elementary, middle or high school. The committee will also identify survey and public hearing topics to collect student and parent feedback.

Dr. Small reported the new athletic uniform vendor contract had been finalized with BSN Sports. The discounts included are similar to those provided by the previous vendor, and BSN will provide additional promotional credits. Mr. Robinson explained \$25K in promotional credits would be provided the first year of the contract, to be used for school branding. Credits of \$10K will be provided in the following years to be used for promotions.

Dr. Small reported the All-Pro Dads agreement had been finalized. The first meeting was held at the school in conjunction with the Dads Take Your Kids to School event.

Financial Update

Mr. Rohrer reported staff was closely monitoring lunchroom expenses and its budget's profit/loss. Should losses increase, the program may need to be supplemented with FEFP funding.

Mr. Rohrer reported the first quarterly grants meeting had been held the previous week. Awards for District Threat Management and Youth Mental Health are still pending receipt.

Attorney's Business

Ms. McKinney-Williams indicated she had no updates to report.

Director's Business

Dr. Small offered the following updates:

- Multiple students have been recognized by the College Board, including two National Merit Semi-Finalists, three Commended Scholars, one Collage Board Big Future Ambassador, and fifty national PSAT score recognitions.
- Purchase Orders have been submitted for campus, board, and faculty liability insurance.
- Recruitment for critical vacancies in HR, finance and procurement is ongoing.
- Staff is developing a system to better track how grant funding is spent.
- Grandfriends Day is scheduled for 11/15/25.

Other Business

Mr. Cole offered to facilitate connections between FSU and FSUS regarding athletics, traditions, and the Seminole Tribe.

Ms. Gayre provided an update on her work with Dr. Crombie and Dr. Small to further develop research initiatives at FSUS.

Adjournment

With no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 PM.