

MAEF Public Charter Schools
DbA ACCEL Academy
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 26, 2026
8:30am

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:43am by Jordan Jones, Board President opening remarks focused on leadership alignment and shared mission.

OPENING INVOCATION

An opening prayer was delivered by Reverend Charlotte Green, invoking gratitude, guidance, wisdom, and continued blessings for the organization and its leadership.

ROLL CALL AND QUORUM

A roll call was conducted by board attorney, Nash Campbell, and a quorum was confirmed.

BOD Members present: Jordan Jones, Sarah Stashak, Rev. Charlotte Greene, Mark Spivey, Kimberly Wiggins, Ebony Smith, Denisha Triplett, **Virtual:** Henry O'Connor, Richard Perry

Staff present: Dr. Marlon Firle, Michelle Parson, Brittany Little, Jira Roberts

FACILITIES AND CONSTRUCTION UPDATE:

Dr. Firle provided a high-level update on the current status of facilities development:

- Foundation preparation is complete, including:
 - Rebar installation
 - Cement blocks and mortar placement
- Termite treatment for the foundation is scheduled for Monday.
- Following termite treatment:
 - The first half of the foundation will be poured.
 - The second half will be poured the following week.
- Upcoming work will be labor-intensive, especially in:
 - Restroom areas
 - Locker rooms

- The metal building materials are already on site.
- Once the foundation is fully poured, structural erection will begin.
- Estimated timeline:
 - Structural framework expected to be visible within 2 to 2.5 weeks after completion of the foundation.

PARENT AND STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

Ms. Tre'Mykal Miles, a tenth grader, shared her academic journey at ACCEL. Her story began with a challenge—having previously failed sixth grade, she made the decision to join ACCEL Prep. Through dedication and improved assessment scores, Ms. Miles experienced academic acceleration, allowing her to progress further in her studies. She reflected on how the school had grown since her arrival, highlighting the expansion of academic programs and the introduction of sports and extracurricular activities. Filled with gratitude, Ms. Miles expressed appreciation for the funding, leadership, and support that enable students to succeed. She concluded by thanking the staff and stakeholders for nurturing a supportive learning environment where students can thrive.

MEDIA PRESENTATION

Ms. Miles stepped into the spotlight as the newly announced voiceover narrator for the high school's promotional video. Meanwhile, her sister took center stage in the middle school feature, giving both siblings a unique opportunity to represent their school. The promotional video, produced by Animation Studios, captured the essence of ACCEL's educational experience, drawing viewers into a story of growth and achievement.

As the video played, it showcased the school's commitment to personalized learning, highlighting the individualized approach that helps each student succeed. The narrative emphasized the robust support system and mentorship available to students, detailing how these relationships foster both academic improvement and confidence. Viewers saw evidence of the school's dedication to accountability and growth, including the notable progress made on the Alabama State Report Card.

The presentation not only celebrated the milestones reached but also illustrated the supportive environment that enables students like Ms. Miles and her sister to thrive, inspiring pride and hope for the future within the school community.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board Chair requested entry into Executive Session at 9:55am. Board Attorney Nash Campbell confirmed this was permissible under the Alabama Open Meetings Act due to discussion of good name and character.

Motion by Mark Spivey; seconded by Charlotte Greene.

Voice vote (YEA): Jordan Jones, Sarah Stashak, Rev. Charlotte Greene, Mark Spivey, Richard Perry, Ebony Smith, Denisha Triplett, Kim Wiggins, Henry O'Connor.

CONSENT AGENDA AND ACTION ITEMS

- Approval of January 29, 2026, Minutes
 - Charlotte Greene moved to approve the minutes; Denisha Triplett seconded. Approved unanimously.
- Victory Professional Development Center MOA
 - Charlotte Greene motioned to approve the MOA with Victory Health; Kim Wiggins seconded. Approved.
- 2026-2027 Academic Calendar
 - Motion to approve by Charlotte Greene; Kimberly Wiggins seconded. Approved.
- Personnel Contract
 - Charlotte Greene moved to approve the Executive Personnel Contract pending Attorney Review; Denisha Triplett seconded. Approved.
- Board Member Resignation
 - Charlotte Greene motioned to accept a Board Member's resignation; Jordan Jones seconded. Approved.

SCHOOL LEADER REPORT

Dr. Firlie provided a comprehensive report highlighting key areas of progress and focus across the organization. A detailed review of performance dashboards was conducted for Prep, Day School, Night School, and the broader network, offering insights into student achievements and operational effectiveness. Updates regarding the enrollment timeline were shared, along with current projections, ensuring that stakeholders remain informed about anticipated student numbers and planning needs.

Next, Dr. Firlle discussed the recent Ministerial Lunch and Learn session, underscoring its value in strengthening community partnerships and fostering engagement.

A graduation update was provided, indicating that 226 seniors are currently on track to graduate, which demonstrates the dedication of students and staff. Regarding ACT testing, 111 out of 118 juniors participated, yielding a participation rate of 94.047%. The seven students who were absent are scheduled to take the makeup examination on April 7th.

Information regarding the summer programs schedule was provided, outlining upcoming opportunities for student enrichment and continued learning during the break.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee

The financials were reviewed for the period ending February 28, 2026. Financial statements will be published as required by reporting guidelines.

ADJOURNMENT

With no additional items on the agenda, Chairman Jordan Jones formally adjourned the meeting, expressing gratitude for the board's dedicated service and ongoing support of the organization's mission.

Respectfully submitted by,



Charlotte Greene

MAEF Public Charter Schools Board Secretary



Michelle Parson

Staff