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Board Meeting Minutes

- **February 12, 2026**

Floretta P. Carson Visual and Performing Arts Academy
Board Meeting

February minutes
02/12/2026
Regular Meeting
6:00 pm

3100 Cottage Hill
Mobile, AL 36606

Meeting Location
Mobile Area Education Foundation
3929 Airport Blvd., Building 3, 2nd Floor
Mobile, AL 36609

A. CALL TO ORDER: 6:03 p.m.

Board Members	Assigned Role	Present	Absent
Mr. Terrance Bettis	Board President	X	
Vacant			
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Mrs. Gloria Hill	Vice President	X	
Dr. Benterah Morton	Treasurer	V	
Dr. Dyann Ryans	Secretary	V	
FPC VPAA Representatives			
Dr. Krista Williams	CEO/Superintendent	X	
Dr. Jeremiah Newell	CFO	X	

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes approved with corrections to show the board requested enrollment dashboard data each month.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Dr. Morton
Second: Ms. Hill
Vote: 4/0 Motion approved

C. AGENDA ADOPTION

Dr. Morton recommended adopting the agenda, with an exception permitting the board to enter Executive session.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Dr. Morton
Second: Ms. Hill
Vote: 4/0 Motion approved

D. ANNOUNCEMENTS - none

E. ACTION ITEMS

***Bus Purchase** Dr. Newell

Dr. Newell presented quotes for three (3) buses:

1. Transportation South 168K
2. Central States 155K
3. Ward Trucks bus 152K

The recommendation was made to purchase a bus from Ward Trucks. This bus has the capability of adding AC and video camera systems.

Two questions:

a. Where will the bus be stored? The bus storage location is not yet determined. Any chosen site must have adequate security, including cameras.

b. What is the source of funding for purchase of the bus? Funding source is the State Dept of Education and funds are currently in the account.

Motion: Dr. Morton
Second: Dr. Ryans
Vote: 4/0 Motion approved

***BCBA Agreement** Dr. Williams

The responsibilities of a Board-Certified Behavioral Analyst were presented, along with the qualifications required for the position. A recommendation was made to hire the candidate to provide support for the school, pending attorney approval or review.

Motion: Dr. Morton
Second: Dr. Ryans
Motion to approve: 4/0 approved

F. REPORTS AND RECOGNITIONS

a. Finance Reports Dr. Newell

Items of note: December ended with a slight excess in revenues over expenditures primarily related to school transportation funds. Employees W-2s were printed and distributed as well as the 1099s. Tax payments were made in January so that that reporting is complete. The only thing that is still outstanding is the tax return and that will be done as part of the audit.

Monthly Finance Report presented by Ms. Christy Taylor

Motion: Dr. Morton
Second: Ms. Hill
Motion Approved: 4/0

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to move to executive session:
Dr. Morton
Second: Ms. Hill
Motion approved: 4/0

a. CEO/Superintendent's Report Dr. Williams

Enrollment Updates: The current target is 285. Campus tours are planned for students and parents, and advertising will include social media, TV ads, and chamber of commerce networking to help meet or exceed the goal. The available slots for each grade level were also presented.

Next step for facility is to complete a walk thru to look at facility and also to look at associated costs.

Request was made to include climate survey data in the admissions dashboard packet to be included in superintendent's report in writing prior to board meetings.

b. Board Reports

i. Committee Reports

1. **Community Outreach/Arts & Engagement Committee** – Met with the Councilman Cory Penn who committed $1,500 for the Gala and full support for the school. Ms. Hill was asked to chair the committee.

2. **Academic Excellence Committee** – The committee remains focused on meeting or surpassing the established enrollment goals. Efforts include encouraging student involvement in outreach activities to promote enrollment opportunities. Additionally, students actively participated in several academic competitions, earning a commendable third place in the recent mathematics event.

3. Development/**Fundraising Committee** The committee has announced the annual gala is now scheduled for April 24 and will be held at the Maritime Museum. Efforts are currently in progress to finalize the venue contract and prepare the sponsorship letter, which is expected to be completed soon.

4. **Board Governance Committee** The committee reviewed expectations for board member's financial contributions and explored options for each member to help raise $5,000 including fundraising and sponsorships. This will be looked at in the future for recommendations.

H. INFORMATION NONE

I. ADJOURNMENT