

New Life Academy of Excellence

Board of Directors Meeting

Saturday, June 20, 2026

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call - Director Alphonsa Foward, Dr. Matisa Wilbon, Ms. Theresa Thomas, Mr. Carter Wilson, Mrs. Christine Chen

III. Review minutes from the previous meeting on Saturday, June 20, 2026

IV. NLAE Mission and Vision - The meeting was called to order at 9:01 am

V. Introduction of Board Members

VI. NLAE Updates

- Past Events
 - New teacher onboarding & training: *July 20 - 21, 2026*
 - Summer Instructional Institute: *July 27 - 31, 2026*
 - Open House: *August 3, 2026. 9:00am - 12:00pm*
 - First Day of School: *August 5, 2026*
 - 6th Grade Blazer Ceremony: *August 17, 2026, 8:30am*
- Upcoming Events
 - Curriculum Night: *August 24, 2026*
 - *SWCC Town Hall Community Meeting: 5:00-5:30pm*
 - Title I - Parent Engagement Night: *September 14, 2026*
 - Title I Parent Orientation during Town Hall Presentation
 - Town Hall: 5:00 - 5:30pm
 - Sessions: 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm
 - Hispanic Heritage Month begins September 15, 2026
 - Digital Learning Day: *September 18, 2025*

VII. Enrollment

- Current Enrollment – 598 total students
- Waitlist 2026-2027

VIII. Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support (PBIS) & Social and Emotional Learning (SEL)

- Required Lessons to include Personal Devices, completed August 12th
- School will use Character Strong Lessons each Wednesday during Advisement/Eagle Time
- Onboard new school counselor for this school year

IX. School Nutrition Program

- *Simply Elegant and More* has returned as our Food Service Management Company for SY 26-27
- Free and Reduced Lunch (FRL Eligibility Data)
 - 28% Applications Submitted
 - 41% Direct Certified Students (247 Students)
 - 63.4% Total Free/Reduced Lunch
 - Breakfast has been introduced for the first time this SY

X. Testing Updates

- Testing Administration training during Summer Instructional Institute
- iReady assessment window began August 10, 2026

XI. Employee Services

- GTES Planning Phase
- Orientation and Self-Assessment
- Pre-Evaluation Conferences
- Summer Instructional Institute: July 27 - 31, 2026
 - IGNITE Your S.H.I.N.E.: Going Deeper, LaVonna Roth
 - The Power of One, Liz Dozier, *Chicago Beyond*
 - Unlock History, Kennesaw State University Museum of History & Holocaust

XII. Technology Updates

- 45 Chromebooks purchased with Title I funds
- 200 Chromebooks purchased by NLAE

XIII. Facilities, Safety, and Security Updates

- General Maintenance for SY 25-26
- Mandatory Fire Drills completed for August 2026
- Severe Weather and Hard Lockdown Drill completed August 2026
- NLAE Safety and Security
- GCPS Safety and Security
- Carpool

XIV. Financial Update

- Financial Report - report was discussed and entered as read

XV. Future Meeting Date

- Next Meeting: September 19, 2026 - Review of audit results

XVI. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 9:43 am