



# MOVEMENT SCHOOL

## Movement School Atlanta Governing Board

Meeting Minutes  
August 28, 2025  
Movement School Atlanta South Fulton Conference Room

Meeting Logistics			
Start Time	End Time	Next Meeting	Preparer
11:15AM	12:03PM	September 25, 2025	Heather Woitkovich
Attendees			
Board Members	Staff	Other	
Jason Crain Kim Harrington Jason Terrell Dr. Charis Chambers Dupre Peoples	Jermaine Gassaway Laetitia Dowd	Danny Brewington, Consultant Heather Woitkovich, Consultant Dr. Allison Nealy, Consultant Gregg Stevens, Consultant Rob Fortson, Legal Counsel	

### Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at

#### I. Administrative Functions

- Approval of Agenda:
  - Dr. Chambers made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, the motion was seconded by Mr. Harrington, motion passed unanimously.
- Approval of Meeting Minutes for July 31, 2025:
  - Dr. Chambers made a motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented, the motion was seconded by Mr. Harrington, motion passed unanimously.
- Mr. Crain requested the addition of a moment of silence for the school shooting that occurred in Minnesota. This moment of silence was observed by all in attendance at the board meeting.

#### II. Public Comment: No Public Comment

#### III. Superintendent and School Related Reports – Superintendent

- School Opening Update and Highlights:
  - Mr. Gassaway reported that total enrollment was 155 scholars on the first day of school and reviewed the breakdown of grade level enrollment at that time. He further reported that as of 8/27/25, total

enrollment increased to 213 scholars and updated the grade level enrollment numbers for the board. Mr. Gassaway noted that there have been zero student withdrawals and that the enrollment goal is 240 scholars.

- Mr. Gassaway reported that the waiting list is now empty, and they are directly enrolling any new students. Mr. Gassaway reported that the first official number count will take place on October 7, 2025.
- Mr. Gassaway noted as a highlight that family and parent enthusiasm is high and the school is looking at ways to encourage family engagement.
- Curriculum Updates:
  - Mr. Gassaway reported that all curriculum materials have arrived and been distributed to teachers for use in classrooms.
- Staffing Updates:
  - Mr. Gassaway reported that the school is 87% staffed with the following open positions: office manager, registrar, nurse, specials position, and a kindergarten TIR.
  - Mr. Gassaway discussed where the open positions are being posted and reviewed the hiring process for the board.
- Academic/Curriculum Updates:
  - Mr. Gassaway reported that students have been completing reading and math assessments. He further noted that during the week of September 8<sup>th</sup>, students will take I-Ready assessments as required universal screeners.
- Federal Programs and Special Populations Updates:
  - Mr. Gassaway reported that the school currently has 19 scholars identified in special education. He further reported that no multilingual learners have been identified.
  - Mr. Gassaway reported that MTSS and SST programs are the next step to ensure that the tier structures of support are in place to serve the needs of MCS students.
- School Nutrition:
  - Mr. Gassaway reported that the students are enjoying the school lunches, and that the school has a great partnership with its food service provider.
  - Mr. Gassaway reported that a health inspection took place at the school. He noted that he will provide a report on this inspection at the next board meeting.
- Afterschool & Extracurriculars:
  - Mr. Gassaway reported that the school has partnered with Champions for the afterschool program and that it will begin on September 2, 2025.
  - Mr. Gassaway further reported that the school currently does not have before-care; however, this can be revisited for the following school year.
- Facility Update and Needs:
  - Mr. Gassaway reported that the school did receive a Certificate of Occupancy and noted that there is still minor work taking place in the

school.

- School Safety Planning:
  - Mr. Brewington noted that the school must submit an updated safety plan prior to the SCSC's first site visit. He recommended that the safety plan be submitted before October 1, 2025.

#### **IV. Finance Report(s) – Chief Financial Officer**

- Ms. Dowd reviewed the financial reports for 2024-2025 year and the first month of the 2025-2026 school year.
- Ms. Dowd discussed the importance of keeping enrollment in the forefront as the budget moves forward.
- Ms. Dowd reported that the school will now offer Georgia TRS to teachers and reviewed the financial impact of this decision.

#### **V. Consultants' Report(s) – Ed Innovation Partners**

- Mr. Brewington reported that the EIP team continues to support the school in compliance and CPF needs. He further notes that the EIP team will support MCS to ensure that the school is aligning with all SCSC site monitoring requirements.
- Board Meeting Cadence:
  - Mr. Brewington discussed the need to evaluate what reporting the boards wants to see from school leadership and the Movement organization.

#### **VI. Old Business**

- Site-Monitoring Overview and Action Steps:
  - Mr. Brewington reviewed the following site-monitoring timeline:
    - Webinar: September 15, 2025
    - Portal opens: September 16, 2025
    - Portal closes: October 31, 2025
  - Mr. Brewington reported that the EIP team will work with the school to begin gathering required site-monitoring information.
- Leader Performance Evaluation (LKES) and Teacher Performance Evaluation (TKES):
  - Mr. Gassaway reported that he is working to get access to LKES and TKES.
  - Mr. Terrell and Mr. Crain reported that they have completed the required training and are awaiting final steps in the process.

#### **VII. New Business**

- Governance Training:
  - Mr. Brewington reminded board members that they must have 12 hours of training. Mr. Brewington reported that he will provide the board with commission training dates and possible alternate training options.

#### **VIII. Executive Session (if necessary)**

**IX. Required Actions following Executive Session (if necessary)**

**X. Next Regular Meeting Date: September 25, 2025**

**XI. Adjourn: 12:03 PM**

- Mr. Terrell made a motion to adjourn, the motion was seconded by Mr. Harrington, motion passed unanimously.

**NOTICE:** The board chairman reserves the right to change the order of the agenda.