



MOVEMENT SCHOOL

Movement School Atlanta Governing Board

Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2025

Movement School Atlanta South Fulton Conference Room

Meeting Logistics			
Start Time	End Time	Next Meeting	Preparer
11:13AM	12:04PM	November 20, 2025	Heather Woitkovich
Attendees			
Board Members	Staff	Other	
Jason Crain Kim Harrington Jason Terrell Dr. Charis Chambers Dupre Peoples	Jermaine Gassaway Laetitia Dowd	Gregg Stevens, Consultant Danny Brewington, Consultant Heather Woitkovich, Consultant Rob Fortson, Legal Counsel	

I. Administrative Functions

- Approval of Agenda:
 - Dr. Chambers made a motion to accept the agenda as presented, the motion was seconded by Mr. Harrington, motion passed unanimously
- Approval of Meeting Minutes for September 25, 2025:
 - Mr. Dupre made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, the motion was seconded by Dr. Chambers, motion passed unanimously
 - Mr. Crain reviewed the requirement that all board members must attend board meetings in person at the school.

II. Public Comment - No public comment

III. Superintendent and School Related Reports – Superintendent – Mr. Gassaway presented

- Updated Enrollment:
 - Mr. Gassaway provided an enrollment update of 200 scholars with a goal of 240 scholars.
- Staffing Updates:
 - Mr. Gassaway reported that the school is 100% staffed at this time.
- Academic/Curriculum Updates:
 - Mr. Gassaway reported that the school held the first MAP assessment of the year in October. He noted that the scholars will take this assessment two more times this school year.
 - Mr. Gassaway reported that 50% of scholars tested at a 50th percentile or

higher in math across all grade levels served and in kindergarten for reading.

- Mr. Gassaway reported that tardiness is not as big of concern as the beginning of the year. He further noted that the school continues to prioritize on-time arrivals for all scholars.

IV. Finance Report(s) – Chief Financial Officer – Ms. Dowd presented

- Financial Report(s):
 - Ms. Dowd reported on the first reading of the budget.
 - Ms. Dowd reviewed the financials from July 1, 2025-September 2025. She reported that the school is financially doing well with a large cash on hand sum.
 - Ms. Dowd noted her concern regarding the cash on hand amount because the number reflects the \$300,000 loan from the Movement Organization. She also notes concern with a lower enrollment number than the projected goal, which will also impact funding.
 - Ms. Dowd reported that the first step to ensure a positive net income is to pause rent payments for the remainder of the year.
 - After multiple questions from the board to understand the impact of pausing rent payments, Ms. Dowd noted that there are no negative impacts due to a positive relationship with Movement Resources.
 - Ms. Dowd reported that she will present a final budget at the next board meeting and the board will vote on approval at that time.
 - Mr. Crain asked for a breakdown of the advertisement budget to understand what resources are available to help with enrollment numbers. Ms. Dowd reported that she will provide the advertisement budget at the next meeting and will ask Ms. Bruce to attend as well.
- A motion was made to open budget discussions to public comment. No public comments took place.

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

- Overall Support Update:
 - Mr. Brewington provided an update and noted that a new meeting cadence has been established beginning next week.

VI. Old Business

- Outcome of School Health and Safety Visit:
 - Mr. Gassaway reported that the Health and Safety Visit went well with no concerns or notes.

VII. New Business

- Policy Updates:
 - Mr. Stevens presented the policies up for review by the board. He asked the board to review the policies to be voted on at the next board meeting.
- School Safety Assessment/Plan:
 - Mr. Gassaway reported that Ms. Bruce is working on completing the safety plan and that it should be close to completion. He reported that it is past due; however, he stated that he will follow up with Ms. Bruce on a possible completion date.
- Movement School Athens-Voluntary Charter Surrender
 - Mr. Brewington reviewed the Movement School Athens Status, noting the continued difficulties finding a facility and the need for a possible third opening deferral.
 - Mr. Fortson noted that we must notify the state of the status and due diligence in the efforts to open the school. He reviewed the facility concerns and lack of local district support.

- Mr. Stevens emphasized the need for resolution on this matter.
- Dr. Chamber made a motion to approve the voluntary charter surrender of Movement School Athens; the motion was seconded by Mr. Harrington, and the motion was unanimously approved.

VIII. Next Regular Meeting Date: November 20, 2025

IX. **Adjourn** – Mr. Dupre made a motion to adjourn; the motion was seconded by Dr. Chambers, and the motion unanimously approved at 12:04PM

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