

Meeting Minutes for the Board of Directors
The Experiential School of Greensboro
Tuesday, January 13th, 2026
5:30pm
Virtual/Zoom: Meeting ID: 856 6568 3740, Passcode: 222690

Present: Leila Villaerde, Carl Lashley, Joanna Lower, Fred Adams, India Goodwin, David Jarmon, Beth Meyer

Leila Villaverde called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

Leila Villaverde called for a motion to approve the agenda and minutes (January 5, 2026 and December 9, 2025). Carl Lashley motioned to approve the agenda and minutes, Joanna Lower seconded, all were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Report from Administrative Team

David Jarmon, Executive Director

Charter Renewal Update

The charter has been renewed.

Student Attendance / Enrollment

Families have been encouraged to have children at school each day and on time. Currently, we have 113 students enrolled with an average attendance rate of 95%. Nineteen percent (n = 27) students are in the EC program.

Recruitment

On January 31st participating in Educational Expo being held at the Wyndham Garden Hotel located at 415 S. Swing Road from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm. This event is highlighting public charter schools, private schools and homeschool resources.

Tutoring / Mentorship Proposal

4 Our Youth organization at NC A&T reached out about their Scholars in Motion mentoring/tutoring program. Clarification on who the faculty associated with the program was requested. The students represent all majors. The proposal will be reviewed.

Carl Lashley asked for clarification related to early dismissal. David Jarmon clarified that if parents need to pick up their student early for an appointment, they should pick them up by 2:45. After 2:45 early picks ups are disruptive to regular dismissal procedures.

David Jarmon shared the proposed calendar for next year. There was discussion about the number of days prior to children arriving so that teachers and staff are adequately prepared. Beth Meyer indicated she would align the days with the professional development plan. The proposed calendar will be posted for public comment.

Beth Meyer, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

PLC Updates

DIBELS testing window is open and preliminary seeing gains.

Focusing on student led conferences and student reflection process; revisit Hopes and Dreams for remainder of 25-26 school year

Beginner Teacher Program

Focusing on creating a community of learners, including students' voices, and communicating what students are learning to parents/guardians. Revisiting newsletter communication to convey what is happening at tESG in a purposeful and meaningful way.

Field Trips

Ms. Stacey and Mr. Pete attended our January staff meeting last week, during which they reviewed expectations and answered questions regarding procedures to ensure we are fully prepared for upcoming visits. They also shared concerns that many students have not checked out books in the past. To help increase student access to and engagement with reading materials, they have offered to attend the 2026–2027 Open House to assist families with signing up for library cards.

On Friday, March 13th, 5th-8th graders as well as 12 chaperones will be taking the Amtrak train to Raleigh to visit several historic and cultural sites, including the North Carolina State Capitol and local museums. This experience is designed to provide meaningful, hands-on learning opportunities connected to history, government, and cultural studies.

Other Points

While reviewing policies, Beth Meyer identified several that should be revisited to more accurately reflect our current administrative team structure and practices.

Leila Villaverde indicated that the last comprehensive review was 2020, so it was time for another comprehensive view. Carl Lashley volunteered to work on this.

Standing Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

Leila Villaverde shared an update on the budget.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

1. Enrollment proposals

Leila Villaverde shared two enrollment proposals followed by discussion. Joanna Lower motioned to accept the Vertex proposal, Fred Adams seconded, all were in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

2. There was discussion about the Food Program at TESH. Currently we have Just For Catering for lunches and there are positive responses to the meals. The rate is \$5.25 per lunch and that would increase should the contractor be approved by USDA. In the meantime, GCS has agreed to deliver meals to TESH and meets the USDA requirements. The USDA reimbursement for Free Lunch is \$4.60 per meal. There was discussion about food quality.

3. Leila Villaverde called for a motion to go into closed session to prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to the law of this State or of the United States, or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes. Carl Lashley motioned to go into closed session for the reasons stated, Fred Adams seconded, all were in favor and the motion carried unanimously. We entered closed session at 6:27 pm and returned to open session at 6:51pm.

Announcements

There were no announcements.

Adjourn

Leila Villaverde called for a motion to adjourn, Fred Adams motioned, Carl Lashley seconded, all were in favor and the motion carried. Leila Villaverde adjourned the meeting at 6:51 pm.