Magic City Acceptance Academy

Board of Directors Meeting

March 31, 2025

Board of Directors Present: Board Term \* Denotes 2nd Term

Excused Tommy Bice 2024 - 2026\*

Present Larry Contri - Chair 2024 - 2026\*

Present CeCe Lacey Kennedy -Secretary 2023 - 2025

Present Amber Lopez Martinez 2025 - 2027

Present Kaamilya Mahdi 2023 - 2025

Present Abbas Merchant 2023 - 2025

Excused Ezra Shine - Vice Chair 2024 - 2026\*

Present Tracee Synco - BAO Rep 2024 - 2026\*

Present Jody Thrash 2023 - 2025  
Present Jim Wilson 2025 - 2027\*

Staff Present:

Patton Furman, Principal

Karen Musgrove, CEO

Meeting was called to order at 6:05  by Dr. Contri.

Minutes reviewed from last meeting. A motion to accept was made by Jim and seconded by Kaamilya. The motion was passed.

Dr. Karen Musgrove presented the financial report from February. Team continues to be happy with how we are performing for the time of year. Jody Thrash moved to approve the report and Jim Wilson seconded, motion carried.

Old business: none

New business: none

Development report: none

Principal’s report from Dr. Patton Furman: Enrollment numbers are at 325, down because of how we hired for this school year. Staff opening: exceptional education - there is a shortage in general so this is a hard position and a hard time of year to fill. Only new teachers are those who have been in new positions since December. Enrollment for next year will hopefully be between 350-400. Charter renewal timeline will be released in May 2025. Renewal orientation will be in June, report will be given to the commission by July 15th, and the commission will respond by July 29th. Application will happen at the end of September, public hearing will be be October 21st and ruling will be October 28th. Public report will be published November 28th.

Amber Lopez-Martinez shared that a parent of an MCAA student who collaborates with UAB and Cooper Green is wondering if we can partner with them for an event on May 17th,

Kaamilya Mahdi was chosen to represent MCAA for the next New Schools for Alabama cohort.

A motion to adjourn was given by Jim Wilson and seconded by CeCe Lacey Kennedy. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 6:17 PM. Next meeting will be on April 28th.

The Magic City Acceptance Academy facilitates a community in which all learners are empowered to embrace education, achieve individual success, andtake ownership of their future in a positive learning environment.

Board meeting dates: January 27th. February 24th, March 31th, April 28th, June 30th, July 28, August 25th, September 29th, October 27th, November 24th, December (Cancelled due to holiday)