MINUTES

March 17, 2026 | **6:00 pm - 7:00 pm** | Virtual Meeting, *Zoom*

In Attendance

BOARD MEMBERS		
NAME	**PRESENT**	**ABSENT**
Gail Arnall	X	
Ann B. Barnet	X	
Michael D. Barnet	X	
Ronja Cala		X
Silvia Castro		X
Shawn Chakrabarti	X	
Sarah Friedman		X
Natalia Isaza Brando	X	
Oralia Puente		X
Raj Thomas	X	
Elaine Weiss	X	

- **Others Present:** Larry Garr, Joan Barclay, Misbah Ahdab, Haley Wiggins, Marianella Morales, Fernando Saldana, Yinzú Nairouz, Tom Selishev, Alyson Cronquist

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from last meeting, January 20, were approved at 6:09 pm by all present board members.

Motions

Meeting unanimously adjourned at 7:09 pm.

Description of Matters Discussed

1. Welcome & Board Business, *Michael & Haley*
    a. Michael and Haley welcomed all, after which the roll call vote to approve minutes took place.
    b. Marianella sent the link for board members to log their volunteer hours in Quickbase.
2. Governance Updates, *Joan & Elaine*
    a. The Governance committee has been searching for board training opportunities. There is an upcoming one hosted by DC PCSB on March 25th at 12 pm on Zoom. Joan will send out the link. It may be focused on K-12, though.

b. The move to the new building and the Middle States Accreditation, etc. are good opportunities to assess our governance.

3. Finance & Facility Updates, *Marianella*
    a. *Finances*
        i. Net Income $150K above budget
        ii. 578 days of cash at year's end (year-end: June 30th), above budget
    b. *Facility Loan*
        i. Haven't drawn down as much as planned yet. Current draw of $121,559.
        ii. Construction is estimated to be complete by June of this year, but we are waiting for an updated estimate. Could be mid-July. Misbah and Kendall have been at the meetings with the contractors, and Larry would like to join too.
        iii. Raj helped answer some questions.
        iv. Showed some pictures of the construction. They are currently lowering the basement and doing excavation in the front.
        v. Shawn asked if they saved any stairs, etc. Haley said they saved some bricks as mementos.

4. Executive Director's Report*, Haley*
    a. CSP Grant: changing some things around to ensure we expend all the funds.
    b. 10-year review will be 2027-28.
    c. Haley went over the LEA Oversight Brief. Met all goals except for ESL EFL gains, but we expected this because of the new CASAS test. We have tutors helping to improve gains. Internally, our number was 62.7% instead of 61.1%. Level 1 exemplary performance overall! 89.5 score.
    d. Michael asked about ISA. 71.4%. Attendance incentive this month.
    e. Working on next year's budget soon. Will hold a finance committee meeting sometime in April to present at the May meeting.

5. Food Distribution, *Fernando*
    a. Fernando shared about the community food distribution on March 10.
        i. 17,000 lbs of food! 700 food bags and 400 people in line. Volunteers helped with this from 9-4:30 pm. Idis received an award recently for this!
        ii. Community food distribution is once a month, but we have smaller weekly distributions.

Next Meeting

Date | time, Location

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm. Next meeting is planned for May 19, 2026.