



Mission Statement: The mission of The RISE Schools is to provide a rigorous and holistic education that develops the minds and character of scholars to be catalysts for social change.

**The RISE Schools
Governance Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 20, 2023**

Document Preparation Information

Prepared by
Dr. Andrea Crenshaw, Recording Secretary

Meeting Information

Date	Start Time	Location:	Teleconference Details
September 20, 2023	6:00 PM	Grammar Cafeteria	+1 601-680-7192 Access Code: 807 588 676#
Meeting Objectives: Board Meeting			
Called by: Ms. Lara Sterling, Board Chair	Email Address lsterling.board@theriseschools.org	Phone (404) 669-8060	

Attendees

Lara Sterling, Chair
Andrea Crenshaw, Secretary
Desmond Hardy, Board Member
Tanisha Jones, Board Member
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Shaheen Solomon, Treasurer
Celeta Watson, Superintendent
Frederick Stamper, Contractor, Operations
Nash Alexander
JT Folsom, Senior Director of Technology
Jeremy Hill
Tiffany Cook, Director of Special Education
Sheila Barlow, Grammar Principal
Shanda Beadles, Prep Principal
Ryan Kilgore, Music Teacher
Christian Harden, Federal Programs Director
Sylvia Hooker, Professional Development liaison
Linda Dunn
Dondrill McFarland

Jevori Moore
 Camelle Simmons
 Terence Washington, CFO
 Timothy Kewney, 5th Grade Chair
 Jewel Adesola, Special Education Coordinator
 Nasia ,CAO
 Tamarre Pierre, Enrollment Coordinator
 Heather Robinson, Social Media Consultant
 Joy Huguly, Instructional Coach
 Deyundraus Boyd, Assistant Principal
 Juan Pullen, parent
 Felicia Knight, parent

Call To Order	Call to Order: 6:06PM	
Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve the agenda was moved by Shaheen Second: Tanisha	Vote: Unanimous 5-0
Approval of Minutes September 13, 2023 (Work Session Meeting)	Motion to table minutes as read by Shaheen Second: Andrea	Vote: Unanimous 5-0
Public Participation	There were no participants that spoke during public participation.	

<p><u>Report Agenda</u></p> <p>Principals Reports: Grammar</p> <p>Prep</p> <p>Special Education Director Report</p> <p>Finance</p> <p>Superintendent's Comments</p> <p>Actions/Recommendations from Work Session</p> <p>A. Facilities</p> <p>B. Network Infrastructure</p>	<p>Discussed new teacher support initiatives, i.e. teacher mentors, weekly meetings with a focus on understanding GA Common Core standards, pacing, and instructional strategies; universal screeners were utilized and data is currently being disaggregated</p> <p>Discussed new teacher support initiatives, i.e., weekly meetings, morning huddles, and instructional strategies; universal screeners were utilized and data is currently being disaggregated; student and family data talks are currently being scheduled</p> <p>Facilitating weekly meetings with general education teachers to discuss accommodations; contractors for speech, occupational therapy, and psychological evaluations are in place; special education team meets monthly with the Georgia Charter Schools Commission Special Education team for ongoing professional development</p> <p>Financial status reviewed and budget transferred to new chart of accounts in alignment with GCSA policies</p> <p>Submitted the GCSA indicators and received 100% approval and completion</p>	<p>Motion to accept the Network Infrastructure proposal by Desmond Second: Shaheen</p> <p>Vote: Unanimous 5-0 (approve)</p> <p>Motion to accept the HVAC maintenance proposal by Andrea Second: Tanisha</p> <p>Vote: Unanimous 4-1 (approve)</p>
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Public Comment	No public comment	
New Business		
Executive Session	Personnel matters to discuss. Affidavit	Motion to move into executive session by Desmond Second: Andrea Time: 7:12p Motion to exit executive session and join by Andrea Second: Tanisha Time: 7:48p Vote: Unanimous 4-1 (approve)
Recommendations from Executive Session	No action items	
Adjournment	Motion to adjourn meeting by Shaheen Second: Andrea Time: 7:52p *Next board meeting is scheduled for 6:00 pm on October 18, 2023	Vote: Unanimous 5-0