



**Minutes of (March) REGULAR Board Meeting on Tuesday, March 31, 2026**

Location: 2407 Pisgah Rd, Florence  
 Upper School Conference Room  
 Posted Zoom Option: <https://zoom.us/j/98364827540>  
**Posted start time: 6:00 p.m.**

	Name	Appointed or Elected	Office	Remote	In-person	Absent	Arrived late	Departed early
1.	Mrs. Lindsay Privette	elected	Chair		X			
2.	Chief Carlos Washington	appointed	Vice Chair		X			
3.	Mr. David Sanderson	elected	Treasurer		X			
4.	Dr. Machell Sprauve	elected	Secretary	X				
5.	Ms. Meredith Cotton	appointed	Director			X		
6.	Mr. Anthony Velazquez	appointed	Director			X		
7.	Dr. Ron Roberts	elected	Director	X				
8.	Dr. Latoya Mitchell Hodges	appointed	Director			X		
9.	Pastor Michael Cook	elected	Director		X			

**Administrators Present:**

Ms. Toni Brandt, Chief Executive Officer  
 Ms. Jackee Johnston, Chief Operations Officer  
 Mr. Chris Lewis, Chief Academic Officer

**Authorizer representative(s):**

Dr. Bill Roach, Chief of School Support (Remote)

**Guests of the board:**

Ms. Mary Allison Caudell, Turner & Caudell Esquire

**Agenda**

1. Welcome/Opening ceremonies

Chair Privette welcomed the Board.

2. Establish quorum; call to order

After establishing the presence of a quorum, Chair Privette called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

3. Approval of agenda

Treasurer Sanderson moved to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Cook and carried unanimously.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments

5. Approval of Minutes:

a. 02/24/26 Regular Meeting

After review of the February 24, 2026 minutes, Vice Chair Washington moved to approve the Regular Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Treasurer Sanderson and carried unanimously.

b. 03/10/26 Special Meeting

After review of the March 10, 2026 Special Meeting minutes, Treasurer Sanderson moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Washington and carried unanimously.

6. Special Recognition of Teachers of the Year- Elementary, Middle, High

Teachers of the Year: Elementary-Rainwater, Middle-Glover, High-Urbaniak

7. Financial Report - Income Statement and Balance sheet as of 01/31/26 (Veris)

No report because Veris did not attend the meeting.

8. Guest Discourse:

a. Dr. Bill Roach, Deputy Superintendent, CIE

b. Shonte Grady, Director of Student Culture and Conduct-Overview of THRIVE initiative this year and beyond

Dr. Roach just congratulated Teachers of the Year. Ms. Grady explains the THRIVE program.

9. Report of any Correspondence from/to the authorizer unique to the school since the previous regular board meeting (L.Privette, T.Brandt).

No report.

10. Officer Reports

a. Board President

Chair Privette talked about preparing for board elections.

b. Board Secretary

No Report.

c. Board Treasurer

Mr.Sanderson reported on the School's current financial standing.

11. Committee Reports

a. Ad-Hoc Committee- Charter Revision

The committee has pre-work and needs to schedule a public meeting.

12. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Ms. Brandt presented he bi-weekly report to the board.

13. Closed Session

a. Pending Contractual Matter-CIE School Improvement

b. Personnel Matter-Annual Evaluation of CEO

Chair Privette moved to enter into closed session at 6:22 p.m. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Washington and carried unanimously.

14. Action, if any, from Executive Session

Chair Privette moved to return to open session at 6:48 pm.

15. Good of the school

Secretary Sprauve complimented the students during Read Across America Week and shared that she enjoyed participating. Dr. Roberts suggested that Board members be invited to graduation in a place of honor. He also suggested that any board member who has been affiliated with the school and therefore helping graduate this year's seniors be honored with a plaque. He also suggested that the Board members have a page in the yearbook.

16. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:52 pm.

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Approved by the board on

Board Secretary Signed by: Dr. Madell Sprauve  
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**The next REGULAR meeting is scheduled for April 28, 2026.**