**Board of Directors Meeting**
*Thursday, August 27, 2026*
*6:30pm*

| Board Members | Present |
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| John Brown, Jr.- Chair | |
| Brian Moore, Treasurer | |
| Luis Bastidas | |
| Donald Williams | |
| Victoria King | |
| Ronnie Liggins, Jr. | |

***Meeting Place: Next Generation Academy (Virtual via Zoom)***

**Reading of the Next Generation Mission Statement –** Next Generation Academy will inspire students to become productive, literate, 21st century citizens by personalizing their learning experience, and encouraging them to realize their individual strengths and abilities.

**Ethics Statement –** Board members are reminded that it is our duty to avoid conflicts of interest and the appearance of conflicts of interest as we handle the work of this Board. Does any member of the Board know of any conflict of interest or any appearance of conflict with respect to any matters coming before us at this meeting?

If so, please state them for the record. If during the course of the meeting, you become aware of an actual or apparent conflict of interest, please bring the matter to the attention of the chair. It will then be your duty to abstain from participating in a discussion on the matter and from voting on the matter. Is there a report of conflict at this time?

## Open Session (6:30pm)

Call to Order:

I. **Reading of the NGA Mission Statement and Ethics Statement (Mr. Brown)**
II. **Approval of Agenda (Mr. Brown);** Mr. Brown entertained a motion to approve the agenda. B. Moore moved to approve the agenda. Motion seconded. Agenda approved.
III. **Approval of Minutes (Mr. Brown);** Mr. Brown entertained a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. The Chair, Mr. Brown, Jr. moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion seconded. Minutes approved.

IV. **Opening of School/Enrollment Updates (Dr. S. Misher/Mr. Miller);** Mr. Miller reported a smooth start to the school year, with enrollment meeting or slightly exceeding the target of 463 students along with efforts to maintain small class sizes. Mr. Miller stated that NGA is now focusing on ensuring IEP's are current and compliant while monitoring admissions to ensure proper staffing for enrolled students. Mr. Miller also mentioned that staff expectations were shared and modeled. Dr. S. Misher confirmed that NGA no longer has enrollment caps and is maintaining class sizes between 16-22 students.

V. **Current Openings (Dr. S. Misher);** Dr. S. Misher mentioned that NGA is actively recruiting to fill three (3) positions that were unexpectedly left vacant, with one (1) candidate currently in the building for demonstration lessons.

VI. **Parent Academy Update (Mr. Miller);** Mr. Miller discussed that NGA had a huge in person turnout as well as online for the Parent Academy seminar. It was focused on Parent Advocacy and Infinite Campus.

VII. **Purchase of Used Bus (Dr. S. Misher**); Dr. S. Misher discussed the successful purchase of a used school bus for $2,800.00, which passed state inspections and will help accommodated increased enrollment, with the added benefit that the bus can be resold for approximately$1,500.00 after 3-4 years of use. Dr. Misher also mentioned that the school's transportation needs have been successfully met with four buses plus one (1) spare, resulting in only six (6) or seven (7) students on the waiting list for transportation.

VIII. **Purchase of Building Update (Dr. S. Misher);** Dr. S. Misher provided updates on building purchase discussions, noting that two (2) groups are considering the school. One of the groups is from Colorado and the other involves Self-Help Credit Union and a Durham partner with plans to provide financial information in the next week. Dr. Misher also discussed that NGA will also enter into a lease agreement starting in October, though he clarified that this is a short-term agreement that can be easily terminated.

**IX.** **School Improvement Plan Goals (Mr. Miller):** Mr. Miller presented the School Improvement Plan goals, including increasing reading performance by 6 percentage points to 48% and math performance by 5 percentage points to 54% by June 2027. Mr. Miller noted that NGA made significant gains last year, reaching 52% overall performance.

X. **NCDPI Policy Updates**: In Closed Session, the Board approved updates to the Code of Student Conduct and Code of Employee Conduct to prohibit discrimination and the Beginning Teacher Support Plan, which includes a partnership with GTCC for alternative certification.

**Closed Session**

**Code of Student Conduct & Code of Employee Conduct**
**Beginning Teacher Support Plan**
**Personnel Action Report/Updates**

The Board reviewed and approved the Code of Student Conduct and the Code of Employee Conduct policy updates related to anti-discrimination.

The Board reviewed and approved the Beginning Teacher Support Plan.

The Board reviewed and approved the Personnel Action Report which included four (4) new Teacher positions and several resignations.

**Open Session**

XI. **Adjournment (Mr. Brown);** Mr. Brown moved to entertain a motion to adjourn the meeting. B. Moore moved to adjourn the meeting. D. Williams seconded. Meeting adjourned.