



Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, August 21, 2025

6:30pm

Board Members	Present
David Miller, 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 (Dr. Florance);
- II. Approval of Agenda (Mr. Miller); Mr. Miller moved to entertain a motion to approve the agenda. D. Williams moved to approve. V. King seconded. Agenda approved.

- III. Approval of Minutes (Mr. Miller); Mr. Miller moved to entertain a motion to approved the minutes of the previous meeting. V. King approved. Motion seconded. Minutes approved. D. Miller approved to amend the agenda in order to vote for Mr. John Brown as a Board Member. D. Miller entertained a motion for approval of Mr. John Brown as a Board Member. V. King approved. R. Liggins seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Mr. John Brown approved as a NGA Board Member. Mr. John Brown accepted the invitation to be a Board Member.
- IV. Preliminary Budget (Attachment NEXT GEN FY 26 Budget Draft)- (Dr. S. Misher); Mr. Miller entertained a motion to approve last year's budget for the preliminary budget for this year until after the 20th day of school. V. King moved to approve. R. Liggins seconded. Last year's preliminary budget approved until after the 20th day of school 2025.
- V. Updates on Back to School (Dr. Florance & Dr. S. Misher); Dr. Florance talked about the Back to School Block Party that was held on Friday, August 8, 2025. There were over 150 families that attended.
During the NGA Staff meeting that was held on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, Dr. Florance talked about the theme for this school year which is building bridges, focusing on communication, connection, and competency. Dr. Florance emphasized that one of the areas that NGA really needs to focus on this school year is communication, based on feedback from our families and staff.
Dr. Florance talked about our new system, Infinite Campus. Infinite Campus is now taking the place of PowerSchool and this has been somewhat of a challenge in terms of information getting to families and making sure our families are connected.
Dr. Florance also mentioned NGA's Open House that was held on Monday, August 11, 2025. He talked about the items he shared with parents such as updates in terms of NGA's policies. Afterwards parents had the opportunity to go to the classrooms and meet with teachers.
Dr. Florance confirmed that there were over 700 individuals (families, not just students and teachers) who attended this event and it was very successful.
- VI. Enrollment (Dr. S. Misher); Dr. Misher talked about the enrollment numbers and how NGA was shooting for 550. As of now, NGA is still enrolling and students are coming in. Dr. Misher stated that the numbers, after "counting heads" are around 470. Dr. Misher mentioned that this is a fair number with the budget built around 440 students.
- VII. Bond Update (Dr. S. Misher); Dr. Misher mentioned that NGA is still looking for an investor to take the bond. He explained that NGA is up for renewal and this causes hesitation for some. Dr. Misher informed the Board Members that he is having follow-up meetings and is very close to "bringing this home." He expressed that a lot of the groups he has met with are getting into creative financing and they appreciate what is being done at NGA and really want to fund the program. Dr. Misher

discussed the closing is hopeful to be completed in about 60 days and, at that point, NGA can start expanding.

- VIII. Board Training offered by the Charter School Association (Dr. S. Misher); Dr. Misher talked about the training being offered by The Charter School Association. He said that they have agreed to come and do any type of board training for NGA. Dr. Misher mentioned one of the things that might be a benefit to NGA as it is up for renewal, is the fact that we could have on our “record” that we have gone through a training with The Charter School Association. Dr. Misher mentioned that this is a free service because NGA is a member. He stated that he would get information on some of the topic that might be of interest to the Board Members and set up a training. Dr. Misher asked the Board Members to email him some of the topics on which they would like to receive training.

D. Miller moved to entertain a motion to go into closed session. V. King motioned to go into closed session. D. Williams seconded. -Meeting moved to closed session.

Closed Session

Personnel Action Report was discussed among Board Members.

Open Session

D. Miller moved to make a motion to approve the Personnel Action Report. R. Liggins seconded. Personnel Action Report approved.

Adjournment

D. Miller entertained a motion to adjourn. D. Williams moved to approve. V. seconded. Meeting adjourned.