

**Quality Education Academy (QEA)  
Board Meeting Minutes  
March 31, 2026  
5151 Lansing Drive & Zoom**

**Members Present:**

Chairman Dr. Jefferson Caruthers  
CEO Dr. Tamara Turner  
John Foxworth  
James Gadson  
Adolphus Coplin  
Walter Weathers  
Ronald Jessup

**Absent Members:**

**Staff (S) / Parents (P) / Visitors (V)**

M. Ross (S) B. Roberts (S) A. Marshall (S) Evans (S) McCain (S) Suarez (S) Rhyne (S)  
Aliano (S)

**Welcome**

The QEA Board Meeting was called to order at 6:10pm. No conflicts of interest were noted. The Chairman called for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Coplin made a motion to approve the agenda and Mr. Gadson seconded. Motion carried.

**Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

**Review and approval of Board Meeting Minutes from February 17, 2026**

The Chairman called for a motion to receive the minutes into public record and the voting of the 3 new faculty members. Mr. Coplin motioned to receive the minutes into public record, Mr. Gadson seconded. The motion carried.

**From the Chair**

The Chairman expressed appreciation to CEO Dr. Turner.

**CEO's Report**

**Enrollment**

- Lottery this week

**Academics**

- Completing check-in 2 this week
- Still a great need in 7th and 8th math
- Targeted support needed for EC scholars (influx due to WSFC cuts; from 80-140; and EC vacancy compounding need)

## **Operations**

- Final repaint for Veronica Black building completed
- All buildings refreshed on schedule
- Final needs (high school sign, buzz-pass for STEAM building, etc.)
- o Initiatives/Events:
  - 30th Annual Bestowal of Blessings and Elder's Day-beautiful event
  - Ghana trip 20th-27th - was a success
  - Homecoming/Founder's Day 3/13/26 - was a success
  - Band won another 2 grants (total \$2,500)
  - School won another Walmart community grant (\$1,500)

## **Athletics**

- High School Regional team- USA National Prep tourney champions
- National competition for dance in GA
- Middle school baseball 1st game of season 3/12
- Girls soccer, track, and co-ed golf underway
- QEA Band students made all 1st chair positions in Charlotte-Metro Honors Band (26 scholars)

## **Staffing**

- Final EC vacancy filled
- New contract timeline for new year offers
- Discussion was held around ratification process and timeline execution

## **Financial**

- Discussion was held around the financial report

## **Governance/Policies/Compliance**

- Comprehensive and Targeted Support planning year meeting conducted
- Site visit agenda-submission this week (include parent and staff interviews)

The Chairman called for a motion for a closed session regarding two personal matters that are confidential. Mr. Coplin made a motion and Gadson seconded. The motion carried.

The Chairman called for a motion to come out of closed session. Mr. Gadson made a motion and Jessup seconded. The motion carried.

The Chairman called for a motion to receive the CEO's report and the financial report. Mr. Coplin made a motion to receive the CEO's report and the financial report. Mr. Gadson seconded. The motion carried.

**Adjournment**

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Coplin made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Gadson seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:57pm.

**Announcement**

The next Quality Education Academy Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 12, 2026 at 6:00pm.

**Minutes recorded by C. Warren**

**OEA Board Meeting Schedule:**

**Tuesday, May 12, 2026**