

**Quality Education Academy (QEA)**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**January 13, 2026**  
**Meeting took place via 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) M. Suarez (S) B. Roberts (S) A. Marshall (S) K. Aliano (S) Evans (S) N. Flowers (S)

**Welcome**

The QEA Board Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm. No conflicts of interest were noted. The Chairman called for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Foxworth made a motion to approve the agenda and Mr. Coplin seconded. Motion carried.

**Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

**Review and approval of Board Meeting Minutes from November 18, 2025**

The Chairman called for a motion to receive the minutes into public record. Mr. Foxworth motioned to receive the minutes into public record, Mr. Coplin seconded. The motion carried.

**From the Chair**

The Chairman expressed appreciation to CEO Dr. Turner for her leadership and dedication to overseeing the overall operations of the school.

**CEO's Report**

**Enrollment**

- 2025-2026 goal: 850.
- Open enrollment has begun

**Academics**

- Discussion was held around 1st Check-In Percentages
- Discussion was held around interventions for 7th and 8th grade Math

**Operations**

- The painting project for the Cloys Cecil Building has been completed.
- The gym floor at high school has been resurfaced.
- The hot water heater coil has been ordered for the elementary school to repair the HVAC unit upstairs on the Kindergarten side for \$7K.
- Trades and STEM grant awarded by partner Walmart (\$20K)

## **Athletics**

- Our Pharaoh Army of Sound band and Purple Reign dancers have been invited to perform at Duke University's basketball game during halftime on January 18th against Georgia Tech.
- Middle grades baseball (inaugural team) obtained sponsorship of ring ceremony

## **Staffing**

- Recruiting EC teacher
- Tutor needed in math and in reading
- Staff development in Teach Like a Champion- Academic Rigor techniques will be launched 2nd semester
- Media contractor and 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher brought on for 2<sup>nd</sup> semester

## **Financial**

- Discussion was held around bond updates, budget, and the monthly financial report

## **Governance/Policies/Compliance**

- Board elections forthcoming
- Renewal site visit 4/22/26
- Next Epicenter submissions (nepotism, conflict of interest, etc.)

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

## **Adjournment**

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Gadson made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Foxworth seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:54pm.

## **Announcement**

The next Quality Education Academy Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at 6:00pm.

## **Minutes recorded by C. Warren**

### **QEA Board Meeting Schedule:**

**Tuesday, February 10, 2026**

**Tuesday, March 10, 2026**

**Tuesday, May 12, 2026**