

Quality Education Academy (QEA) Board
Meeting Minutes
February 17, 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)

Welcome

The meeting was rescheduled from February 10th to February 17th due to members being sick and not having quorum. The QEA Board Meeting was called to order at 6:16pm. No conflicts of interest were noted. The Chairman called for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Jessup made a motion to approve the agenda and Mr. Foxworth seconded. Motion carried.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

Review and approval of Board Meeting Minutes from January 13, 2026

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

From the Chair

The Chairman expressed appreciation to CEO Dr. Turner.

CEO's Report

Enrollment

- Calculating new goal for 26/27 (smart growth- no more than 100 new)
- Restructuring grade levels for space available

Academics

- 40% average achievement on Check-in 1
12 leaders now responsible for direct tutoring of at least 1 small group
- Model teaching using master teachers/school leaders

- Check-in 2 starts next week
- Friday training in Reading Reconsidered to increase academic rigor
- Conducted 5 virtual instruction days

Operations

- More repairs completed on Cloys Cecil building (K side ceiling)
 - Need for gym space increases as offerings increase, Facilities rentals increased this year
 - Make-up days (3 Fridays)
Will obtain quarterly feedback on 4-day effectiveness-finalize calendar decision early spring
- o Initiatives/Events:
- Ghana trip (from 20 to 10 due to increased costs for vaccines and flights)
 - Homecoming/Founder's Day 3/13/26 (commemorative signage installation Ben Ruffin)
 - Bestowal of Blessings and Elder's Day 2/26/2026

Athletics

- National competition for dance in GA
- Band and dance hosting fundraising competitions
- Alliance AD development and NCAA compliance support

Staffing

- Recruiting EC teacher
- Tutor needs in math in reading (QPA supporting)

Financial

- Discussion was held around budget and the monthly financial report

Governance/Policies/Compliance

- Board elections scheduled
- Renewal site visit 4/22/26
- School Nutrition/PK Sanitation -A (99.5)

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

Adjournment

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Gadson made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Weathers seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:26pm.

Announcement

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

Minutes recorded by C. Warren

OEA Board Meeting Schedule:

Tuesday, March 10, 2026

Tuesday, May 12, 2026