



LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE BOARD BUSINESS MEETING

1116 Jefferson Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70115
January 22, 2026
6:00pm

CALL TO ORDER

The Legacy of Excellence Board convened January 22, 2026, meeting in Room 3002 of the Benjamin Franklin Elementary Mathematics and Science School at 1116 Jefferson Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana 70115. Mr. Tommie Vassel, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:17 pm.

Board Roll Call: Tommie Vassel, present; Dr. Nia Woods Haydel, present; Dr. Bobbie Stevenson, present; Cynthia Steward, present; Susan Vaughn, absent; Detrich Hebert Johnson, present; Devon Turner, present; Dr. J. Cornell Brooks, CEO; present. The meeting had a quorum.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

STUDENT OF THE MONTH RECOGNITION

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion to add Avis Brock and public comments to the agenda was made by Devon Turner and seconded by Bobbie Stevenson. **The motion passed**

Motion to accept the amended agenda was made by Bobbie Stevenson and seconded by Cynthia Steward. **The motion passed**

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

- December 11, 2025, Board Business Meeting Minutes

Motion to adopt December 11, 2025, Board Business Meeting Minutes was motioned by Nia Woods-Haydel and seconded by Bobbie Stevenson. **The motion passed**

REPORT(S)

- Monthly Financial Summary – December 2025 4th Sector Solutions

Motion to accept the December 2025 Financial Summary was motioned by Cynthia Steward and seconded by Devon Turner. **The motion passed.**

CEO'S REPORT

ACTION ITEMS/RESOLUTIONS

The Legacy of Excellence Board is asked to act upon the following action items:

- **Action Item No. 1:** Approval to accept the following grant check from The Pro Bono Publico Foundation in the amount of \$10,000.

Recommendation: That the Legacy of Excellence Board Inc., accepts the grant awarded to Benjamin Franklin Elementary/Middle School from Pro Bono Foundation for the 2025-2026 school year.

Motion to accept the following funds from The Pro Bono Publico Foundation in the amount of \$10,000 was motioned by Cynthia Steward and seconded by Nia Woods-Haydel. **The motion passed.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Upon an approved motion by Cynthia Steward and seconded by Devon Turner, the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 pm.

Board Meeting Livestream Link- <https://youtube.com/live/DR0nd0hjli8?feature=share>