



# LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE BOARD BUSINESS MEETING

1116 Jefferson Avenue  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70115

April 1, 2026  
6:00pm

## CALL TO ORDER

The Legacy of Excellence Board convened April 1, 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 6:11pm.

Board Roll Call: Tommie Vassel, present; Dr. Nia Woods Haydel, present; Dr. Bobbie Stevenson, present; Susan Vaughn, present; Detrich Hebert Johnson, absent; 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 accept the agenda was made by Dr. Bobbie Stevenson and seconded by Susan Vaughn. **The motion passed.**

## ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

- January 22, 2026, Board Business Meeting Minutes

Motion to adopt January 22, 2026, Board Business Meeting Minutes was motioned by Devon Turner and seconded by Dr. Bobbie Stevenson. **The motion passed.**

## REPORT(S)

- Monthly Financial Summary – February 2026 4<sup>th</sup> Sector Solutions

Motion to accept the February 2026 Financial Summary was motioned by Susan Vaughn and seconded by Devon Turner. **The motion passed.**

- Finance Committee Report Susan Vaughn
- Governance Committee Report Nia Woods-Haydel

Motion to accept the March 2026 Governance Report was motioned by Dr. Nia Woods-Haydel and seconded by Dr. Bobbie Stevenson. **The motion passed.**

- Accountability Committee Report Bobbie Stevenson

Motion to accept the March 2026 Accountability Report was motioned by Dr. Bobbie Stevenson and seconded by Dr. Nia Woods-Haydel. **The motion passed**

## CEO'S REPORT

Jeremy Brooks

## DISCUSSION ITEM

- Strategic Plan Update

Kelli Peterson

## ACTION ITEMS/RESOLUTIONS

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

- **Action Item No. 1:** [Acceptance of payment for participation in Mardi Gras parades.](#)  
**Recommendation:** That the Legacy of Excellence Board accepts payment from the following Mardi Gras Krewes in total amount of \$11,400; Krewe of King Arthur, Krewe of Freret, Krewe of Proteus, Krewe of Chaos, Order of Kahos, Krewe of Nandi and Krewe of Rex for school band participation in Mardi Gras parades.

Motion to accept the payments for participation in Mardi Gras parades was motioned by Susan Vaughn and seconded by Dr. Nia Woods-Haydel. **The motion passed.**

- **Action Item No. 2:** [Approval of the 2026-2027 Business Board Calendar.](#)  
**Recommendation:** That the Legacy of Excellence Inc. Board approves the 2026-2027 Business Board Calendar.

Motion to defer until Governance committee check bylaws was motioned by Dr. Nia Woods-Haydel and seconded by Dr. Bobbie Stevenson. **The motion passed**

- **Action Item No. 3:** [Approval of the 2026-2027 School Calendar.](#)  
**Recommendation:** That the Legacy of Excellence Inc. Board approves the 2026-2027 school calendar.

Motion to adopt the 2026-2027 School Calendar was motioned by Dr. Nia Woods-Haydel and seconded by Devon Turner. **The motion passed.**

- **Action Item No. 4:** [Approval of the updated Bylaws for Legacy of Excellence, Inc.](#)  
**Recommendation:** That the Legacy of Excellence Inc. Board approves the updated Bylaws of the organization.

Motion to defer until updates are submitted was motioned by Dr. Nia Woods-Haydel and seconded by Devon Turner. **The motion passed.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## ADJOURNMENT

**Upon an approved motion** by Dr. Nia Woods-Haydel and seconded by Devon Turner, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

**Board Meeting Livestream Link** <https://youtube.com/live/0hXVIPE3vLU?feature=share>

**Part 2 (LOE Board Meeting continuations if required to stop recording)**  
[https://youtube.com/live/3\\_UrQcrWNUA?feature=share](https://youtube.com/live/3_UrQcrWNUA?feature=share)