

LEARN DC Charter School
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Virtual Meeting – December 5, 2025
(DRAFT - Pending Board Approval and Edits)

Link to meeting recording:  LEARN DC Board Meeting 2025.12.05.mp4

Attendance:

- **Board of Trustees:** Troy Prestwood, Katie MacCarthy, Tara Brown
Major Brittany Rhanes and Maya Martin joined the meeting after the start time.
- **Board Members Absent:** Vineeta Raketich
- **LEARN Staff:** Gregory White, Donna Moore, Shona Person, Sekou Robertson, Steve Ronkowski
- **Other Attendees:** Tiana Wynn (Partner-SB&Company), Jamie Washington (Manager-SB&Company) and Natlie Eby (Potential Board Member-Parent)

Call to Order:

- Board Chair Troy Prestwood motioned to call the meeting to order at 12:05pm EST/11:05am CST. Please see above for listing of Board members present and absent.
- It was determined that a quorum was present. (Researching whether actual quorum).

Public Comments:

- Board Chair Troy Prestwood requested and there were no public comments.

Approval of Previous Minutes: Board Chair called on a vote to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2025 meeting (Researching whether actual quorum and if minutes need to be approved at next meeting).

- Minutes from the September 12, 2025 board meeting were approved. The vote was as follows:
 - Chair, Troy Prestwood: Aye
 - Member Katie MacCarthy: Aye
 - Member Tara Brown: Aye

Financial Update: Board Chair Troy Prestwood requested that Donna Moore, Chief Financial Officer, provide a Financial Report Update.

- Tiana Wynn and Jamie Washington from SB&Company reviewed the Audit of the Financial Statements and the Federal Expenditures (Uniform Grant Guidance Audit-Single Audit) for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025. They reported that they plan to issue an unmodified opinion on financial reporting and compliance and that no material weaknesses in internal controls were identified during the audit. The audit reports were also reviewed at the Finance Committee Meeting on December 2, 2025.
- Donna Moore provided the Board with the Statement of Activity, Statement of Financial Position and Summary of Related Party Transaction for the First Quarter Ended September 30, 2025. She also reviewed the following:
 - Agenda for the December 2, 2025 Finance Committee Meeting and topics covered and
 - Financial Results for the First Quarter Ended September 30, 2025 and noted that financial results were on track to budget.

School Report: Board Chair Troy Prestwood requested that Principal Shona Person and Sekou Robertson, Managing Director of Schools provide the School Report Update.

- Sekou Robertson provided an update on preparation and timing for the charter renewal process. He also provided an update on enrollment and that we had received 100% of student verification forms. Sekou Robertson and Shona Person also provided an update on the ASPIRE Framework and that schools that previously adopted the PMF must decide by April 1, 2026, whether to adopt ASPIRE as their charter goals or create individualized ones. The Board discussed and will vote at the March 2026 meeting if ASPIRE is to be adopted by April 2026.

Academic Committee: Board Chair Troy Prestwood requested that Tara Brown, Chair of the Academic Committee, provide an update. Tara Brown informed the board that LEARN DC received a Level 2 Rating on Aspire.

Board Candidate: Troy Prestwood introduced Natalie Eby, a parent and Board Candidate. Troy Prestwood, Board Chair, called on a vote for the following motion:

- Motion to approve Board Candidate Natalie Eby.

The motion was approved with the following votes:

Chair, Troy Prestwood: Aye
Member Katie MacCarthy: Aye
Member Tara Brown: Aye
Member Maya Martin: Aye
Member Brittany Rhanes: Aye

Governance Committee Report: Board Chair Troy Prestwood requested that Katie MacCarthy, Chair of the Governance Committee, provide an update. Katie MacCarthy reviewed the minutes and topics of the last governance meeting on December 1, 2025. She also discussed updates to the board portal.

Facilities Update: Board Chair Troy Prestwood requested that Greg White, President and CEO, provide a Facilities Update.

- Greg White provided an update on the Project Development Plan Critical Path and Next Steps, including design, financing and conceptual development schedule.

Motions to Approve:

Troy Prestwood, Board Chair called on a vote for the following motion:

- Motion to approve creation of LEARN DC Strategic Advisory Council (SAC).

Troy Prestwood discussed the purpose of SAC as a non-voting group and to provide additional guidance to the Board.

The motion was approved with the following votes:

- Chair, Troy Prestwood: Aye
- Member Katie MacCarthy: Aye
- Member Tara Brown: Aye
- Member Maya Martin: Aye
- Member Brittany Rhanes: (left the meeting before the vote)

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 1:42pm EST/12:42pm CST.