



MEETING MINUTES

Vision

To prepare students for success as lifelong learners and responsible global citizens

Mission

To promote the academic, social and emotional growth of each student by fostering a safe, supportive and engaging learning environment

Attendance

Voting Members

Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair
Mr. Awet Eyasu, Vice Chair
Mr. Andrew Ziffer, Board Member
Ms. Whitney McGinniss, Board Member
Mrs. Deirdre Pierce, Board Member
Tiffany Hogan Ph.D., Board Member
Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr., Board Member

Non-Voting Members

Dr. Norman Sauce, Interim Superintendent
Carolyn Lloyd, Executive Director BOE
Winston Denmark, School Board Attorney

A. CALL TO ORDER

The DeKalb County Board of Education held its Called Meeting and Executive Session, July 22, 2026, in the Cabinet Room, Robert R. Freeman Administrative Complex located at 1701 Mountain Industrial Boulevard, Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083.

1. Roster

Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Chair, convened the meeting at 10:01 a.m. and noted the following were in attendance; Vice Chair, Mr. Awet Eyasu, Mr. Andrew Ziffer, Ms. Whitney McGinniss, Mrs. Deirdre P. Pierce, Tiffany Hogan, Ph.D., Mr. Dijon DaCosta, Sr., Interim Superintendent, Mr. Norman C. Sauce III, School Board Attorney, Mr. Winston Denmark, and Executive Director of Board Operations, Ms. Carolyn Lloyd.

B. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

With no objections, the DeKalb County Board of Education adopted the agenda for July 22,

2026, Called Meeting & Executive Session.

| **Voting results:** Unanimously Approved

C. ADJOURN TO AN EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:06 am Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, called for a motion to adjourn July 22, 2026, called meeting to an executive session for the purpose of discussing permitted matters regarding land, legal, litigation, personnel, and student appeals.

Motion made by: Ms. Whitney McGinniss

Motion seconded by: Mr. Awet Eyasu

| **Voting results:** Unanimously Approved

1. ADJOURN THE EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Allyson Gevertz called for a motion to adjourn the July 22, 2026, called meeting executive session.

Motion made by: Mr. Awet Eyasu

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Deirdre Pierce

| **Voting results:** Unanimously Approved

D. ACTION ITEM(S)

1. APPROVAL OF AN ITEM(S) FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

E. ADJOURN

With no objections, Ms. Allyson Gevertz, Board Chair, adjourned the July 22, 2026, called meeting and executive session meeting at 6:13 pm.

| **Voting results:** Unanimously Approved