

**Millennium Charter Academy
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
February 24, 2026**

The Board of Directors for Millennium Charter Academy met in a regular session on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, at 5:30 pm. Those Directors present included Christopher Willingham (present), James Crossingham (present), Susan Campbell (remote), Druery Devore (present), and Ann Jones (present). Headmaster Paul Rezzo was also present for the meeting along with Finance Officer Tia Gwyn. In addition, Carla Majure attended. Druery Devore called the meeting to order with Paul Rezzo providing the invocation. Druery Devore led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adoption of Proposed Agenda: A motion to adopt the proposed agenda was made by Christopher Willingham, seconded by James Crossingham, the proposed agenda was adopted.

Approval of January Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes from the January meeting was made by James Crossingham and seconded by Ann Jones. The motion carried and the minutes were approved.

Public Comment:

- a. Chris Lister reported on focus groups he conducted with 8th grade students.

Report of Affiliated Organizations:

- a. Carla Majure provided an admissions and development update. She reported ongoing efforts to strengthen communication and promotion of key dates and events, including a master calendar, periodic newsletters, videos, and athletic announcements. Additional initiatives to increase awareness were also discussed.

Report of the Headmaster: Paul Rezzo presented the Headmaster's Report emphasizing the following items:

1. A motion was made by Ann Jones to hire Mr. J.T. Tucker for the Athletic Director position, and seconded by James Crossingham. The motion carried.
2. A motion was made by James Crossingham to hire Mr. Dustin Draughn for the High School Science Teacher position, and seconded by Ann Jones. The motion carried.
3. The School Funding Application with Surry County and SRO Funding is underway.
4. MCA continues to explore the option of having a remote academy for distance learners in the state to experience a tuition-free classical education in the mode of MCA.

Report of the Treasurer: Christopher Willingham presented the below items.

1. A motion was made by James Crossingham, seconded by Ann Jones to approve a \$7,000 expense for clearing the parking lot of ice and snow. The motion carried.
2. A motion was made by James Crossingham, seconded by Susan Campbell, to secure a one-year option for the security system in the amount of \$13,637.60. The motion carried. The security system is provided by grant funding.

Report of Standing Committees: None

Unfinished Business:

- a. A motion was made by Ann Jones, seconded by James Crossingham, to approve leasing our 60 acres for \$2,500 per year. The motion carried.

New Business:

- a. James Crossingham secured an additional school bus. A motion was made by Christopher Willingham and seconded by Ann Jones to approve \$3,800 to purchase the school bus. The motion carried.
- b. A motion was made by Christopher Willingham and seconded by Susan Campbell, to add Mr. Ben Pratt as a MCA board member. The motion carried.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Ann Jones and seconded by Christopher Willingham. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Melinda Shew

Attachments:
Headmasters Report
Agenda