



## **Governing Board Meeting Minutes – Academic Year 2024–2025**

### **July 24, 2024 – Regular Governing Board Meeting**

**Location:** Miami Arts Charter School, 95 NW 23rd St, Miami, FL

**Time:** 1:00 p.m.

#### **1. Opening and Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chair **Dr. Ray Kimsey**.

##### **Board Members Present:**

- Dr. Ray Kimsey
- Jennifer Kenney
- Pablo Canals

**Quorum established.**

#### **2. Approval of Previous Minutes**

Minutes from the May 2024 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Dr. Ray Kimsey, second by Jennifer Kenney. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **3. Financials & Budgets**

- The CFO presented the proposed **2024–2025 operating budget**, aligned with FEFP revenue projections, staffing requirements, and program expenditures.
- Enrollment growth and corresponding funding adjustments were discussed.
- Compliance with bondholder requirements, including debt service coverage, was confirmed.
- **Action:** Motion by Jennifer Kenney to approve the 2024–2025 school budget. Second by Dr. Ray Kimsey. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **4. Public Comments**

No public comments were made.

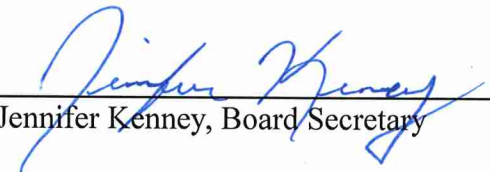
#### **5. Action and Discussion Items**

- **School Recognition Funds:** The board and administration celebrated the news that Miami Arts Charter School earned an **“A” grade** again for the 2023–2024 academic year. Recognition funds from the State of Florida are anticipated, with staff to determine distribution by ballot in accordance with law.
- **Test Results Review:** Student scores from 2023–2024 showed improvements across core subjects and continued strong performance in arts programs.

- **Auditions:** Summer audition cycle reported steady applicant turnout, ensuring enrollment goals are met.
- **Summer Camp:** The elementary music outreach camp concluded successfully with positive parent and student feedback.
- **Budget-to-Actual Review:** First quarter reports reviewed; finances aligned with expectations.
- **School Events Calendar:** A preliminary list of events and showcases was shared.
- **Teacher Waivers:** Out-of-field waivers reviewed and approved for DOE submission.
- **Curriculum Transition:** Adoption of humanities and classical reading list underway.
- **Accreditation:** Initial preparations for 2025–2026 COGNIA renewal year discussed.

## 6. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Dr. Ray Kimsey, second by Jennifer Kenney. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

  
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Jennifer Kenney, Board Secretary