

MEETING MINUTES

Name of Foundation: Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc.
 Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC.

Board Meeting: December 2, 2025

Schools - Principals:

Cherry Lake Preparatory Academy - Kokx	Southshore Charter Academy – Sams
Clay Charter Academy – Caldwell	Union Park Charter Academy – Glover
College Preparatory Academy at Wellen Park - Fees	Waterset Charter School – Bruni
Creekside Charter Academy – Laguerre	Winthrop Charter School – Johnson – Greenier, HoS
Henderson Hammock Charter School – Romeo	Winthrop College Prep Academy – Miller – Greenier, HoS
Innovation Preparatory Academy – Reynolds	Woodmont Charter School – Tate
Keys Gate Charter School – Verdier, HoS	

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Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:
December 2, 2025	4:02 PM	4:32 PM	February 12, 2025	1:00 PM	L. Peake
Meeting Location:					
On-Site Location: FCEF Schools as public noticed					
Attended by:					
Board Members: Valora Cole – Chair Eric Johnson – Vice-Chair Randy Walker – Treasurer Dr. Steve Knobl – Director Andrea Coyle - Director Absent: None			Other Attendees: Principals and Parent Facilitators of Above-Mentioned Schools Board Attorney Levi Williams LaShonda White, Area 1 Deputy Director Dr. Jeff Spiro, Area 3 Deputy Director Nirvani Ramnath, Area 4 Deputy Director Jodi Evans, Area 5 Deputy Director Leah Peake, Board Governance Manager		

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting commenced at 4:02 p.m. with a Call to Order by Board Chair Valora Cole. Roll call was taken, and quorum established.

- I. PUBLIC COMMENTS - NONE
- II. COMMITTEE REPORTS - NONE
- III. Consent Agenda - NONE
- IV. Financial - NONE
- V. Old Business - NONE

VI. CSUSA Reports

- State Superintendent Update
 - Choice Campus Presentation
 - Dr. Ruiz gave a presentation on Choice Campus and the future of education. Flexible learning spaces, educational options, and parent/student choice is the key the education moving forward.
 - Dr. Ruiz provided the board an update on what educational choice can look at FCEF Schools.
 - Dr. Ruiz answered all the boards questions and concern. They will bring more specifics back to the board at the next board meeting.
 - Step-Up for Students Update
 - Dr. Ruiz provided the board an update on the partnership with Step-Up for Students and programs being offered.
 - Mr. Johnson commented Dr. Ruiz and the team at CSUSA for the continued for thought on education and the initiative to keep innovating education.
 - Mrs. Cole encouraged community partnerships with financial institutions to develop other education opportunities.
 - Mrs. Coyle commended CSUSA for the involvement with Step-Up and growing educational opportunities.

VII. New Business

- Charter Expansion – Clay Charter Academy

MOTION: A motion was made by Steve Noble and seconded by Eric Johnson to approve the expansion of Clay Charter Academy from a PK-8 to a PK-12 for the Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC. Motion was approved unanimously. (5-0, 0 absent)

Adjournment

MOTION: A motion was made by Eric Johnson and seconded by Andrea Cole to adjourn the Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC. December 2, 2025, Board Meeting at 4:32 p.m. Motion was approved unanimously. (5-0, 0 absent)



Eric Johnson, Chair
Date: 2/12/2026