



MINUTES

Commission Meeting
October 6, 2023
Davy Crockett Tower

Video Recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F9YkbbwowuU>

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Welcome and Call-to-Order

00:00:00-00:03:07

Chris Richards, Commission Chairman, called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Action of the Commission:

Roll Call/Quorum	
Michael Carter	Present
Tom Griscom	Present
Alan Levine	Present
Terence Patterson	Present
Eddie Smith	Present
Lauren Smith	Present
Chris Tutor	Present
Jamie Woodson	Present
Chris Richards	Present
Outcome: 9 of 9 present; quorum established	

Invictus Nashville Charter School Appeal

00:03:07-00:43:20

Hayden Pendergrass read a statement from Metro Nashville Public Schools regarding Invictus Nashville Charter School. A representative presented a statement on behalf of Invictus Nashville Charter School.

Chris Richards recognized Tess Stovall to present the Invictus Charter School Appeal to the Commission.

Action of the Commission:

Motion to adopt the resolution to overturn the denial of Invictus Nashville Charter School's amended application	
Motion made by: Eddie Smith Seconded by: Terence Patterson	
Michael Carter	Yes
Tom Griscom	Yes
Alan Levine	Yes
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Yes

Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Tutor	Yes
Jamie Woodson	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes
Outcome: 9 of 9 voting; motion is approved	

Nashville Collegiate Prep High School Appeal

00:43:20-01:44:02

Hayden Pendergrass read a statement from Metro Nashville Public Schools regarding Nashville Collegiate Prep High School. A representative presented a statement on behalf of Nashville Collegiate Prep High School.

Chris Richards recognized Tess Stovall to present the Nashville Collegiate Prep High School appeal to the Commission.

Action of the Commission:

Motion to adopt the resolution to overturn the denial of Nashville Collegiate Prep High School's amended application	
Motion made by: Alan Levine Seconded by: Tom Griscom	
Michael Carter	Yes
Tom Griscom	Yes
Alan Levine	No
Terence Patterson	No
Eddie Smith	No
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Tutor	Yes
Jamie Woodson	No
Chris Richards	No
Outcome: 9 of 9 voting; motion failed	

Action of the Commission:

Motion to adopt the resolution to uphold the denial of Nashville Collegiate Prep High School's amended application	
Motion made by: Tom Griscom Seconded by: Michel Carter	
Michael Carter	No
Tom Griscom	No
Alan Levine	Yes
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Yes
Lauren Smith	No
Chris Tutor	No
Jamie Woodson	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes
Outcome: 9 of 9 voting; motion is approved	

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01:44:02-01:54:20

Cornerstone Prep Lester Campus Appeal

01:54:20-02:22:39

Hayden Pendergrass read a statement from Memphis-Shelby County Schools regarding Cornerstone Prep Lester. A representative presented a statement on behalf of Cornerstone Lester Prep.

Chris Richards recognized Tess Stovall to present the Cornerstone Prep Lester appeal to the Commission.

Action of the Commission:

Motion to adopt the resolution to overturn the denial of Cornerstone Prep Lester's amended application	
Motion made by: Michael Carter Seconded by: Chris Tutor	
Michael Carter	Yes
Tom Griscom	Yes
Alan Levine	Yes
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Yes
Lauren Smith	Recused
Chris Tutor	Yes
Jamie Woodson	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes
Outcome: 8 of 9 voting; motion approved	

Fairley High School Appeal

02:22:39-02:43:23

Hayden Pendergrass read a statement from Memphis-Shelby County School system regarding Fairley High School. A representative presented a statement on behalf of Fairley High School.

Chris Richards recognized Tess Stovall to present the Fairley High School appeal to the Commission.

Action of the Commission:

Motion to adopt the resolution to uphold the denial of Fairley High School's amended application	
Motion made by: Eddie Smith Seconded by: Terence Patterson	
Michael Carter	Yes
Tom Griscom	Yes
Alan Levine	Yes
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Yes
Lauren Smith	Recused
Chris Tutor	Yes
Jamie Woodson	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes

Outcome: 8 of 9 voting; motion approved	
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Empower Career and College Prep Charter School Appeal **02:43:23-03:02:49**

Hayden Pendergrass read a statement from the Memphis-Shelby County School System regarding Empower Career and College Prep Charter School. A representative presented a statement on behalf of Empower Career and College Prep Charter School.

Chris Richards recognized Tess Stovall to present the Empower Career and College Prep Charter School appeal to the Commission.

Action of the Commission:

Motion to adopt the resolution to overturn the denial of Empower Career and College Prep Charter School's amended application	
Motion made by: Jamie Woodson Seconded by: Michael Carter	
Michael Carter	Yes
Tom Griscom	Yes
Alan Levine	Yes
Terence Patterson	Recused
Eddie Smith	Yes
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Tutor	Yes
Jamie Woodson	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes
Outcome: 8 of 9 voting; motion approved	

Pathways in Education-Memphis Charter School Appeal **03:02:49-03:19:04**

Hayden Pendergrass read a statement from Memphis-Shelby County School System regarding Pathways in Education-Memphis Charter School.

Chris Richards recognized Tess Stovall to present the Pathways in Education-Memphis appeal to the Commission.

Action of the Commission:

Motion to adopt the resolution to uphold the denial of Pathways in Education-Memphis's amended application	
Motion made by: Eddie Smith Seconded by: Jamie Woodson	
Michael Carter	Yes
Tom Griscom	Yes
Alan Levine	Yes
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Yes
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Tutor	Yes



Jamie Woodson	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes
Outcome: 9 of 9 voting; motion approved	

Closing Discussion and Adjournment

03:19:04-03:22:49

Action of the Commission:

Motion to adjourn meeting	
Motion made by: Michael Carter Seconded by: Eddie Smith	
Michael Carter	Yes
Tom Griscom	Yes
Alan Levine	Yes
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Yes
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Tutor	Yes
Jamie Woodson	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes
Outcome: 9 of 9 voting; motion approved	

Chairman Chris Richards adjourned the meeting.