

Governing Board Meeting Minutes DRAFT

Date: Thursday, November 13, 2025
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Meeting ID: 977 0213 4207
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Time: 5:00 p.m. to 5:28 p.m.
Executive Session: N/A
Recorded by: J. Waterhouse

Attendees: GB Chair M. Thompson, GB Vice Chair, Executive Boardmembers GB Finance Chair M. Liao-Troth, Human Resources Executive Member J. Yukitomo, Executive Boardmember J. Smith, J. Dixon , Staff Boardmembers B. Santos, J. Waterhouse, and A. Freitas, Parent Representative C. Campora, Student Representative J. Drummondo, Principal D. Oshiro, Finance Director A. Deutscher, and MBTA Staff, J. Tabangcura and A. Tojio.
Absent: GB Human Resources Chair, Secretary M. Simmons, Executive Boardmember Dr. T. Isadore

I. CALL TO ORDER	Chair Thompson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (October 2025)	The October 2025 meeting minutes were not provided and will be approved at the next meeting.
III. PARENT AND PUBLIC COMMENT	None
IV. OLD BUSINESS	None
V. NEW BUSINESS	
A. NEW PERSONNEL	Effective 11/14/2025 Andrew Deutscher will be leaving MBTA after doing our finances and HR for another position in the private sector. We appreciate Andrew's years with MBTA and wish him well. His position and responsibilities will be split amongst two current MBTA staff members with prior background and experience in finance and human resources (HR). Joel Tabangcura joined MBTA two years ago (currently teaches AP Statistics), has been a tax accountant for the past 15 years and will take over our finance department. Ashley Tojio also came to MBTA two years ago (current an Educational Assistant in the SPED Department), has a degree in HR from UH Manoa, previously worked in BWM's HR department and will pick up the HR workload.

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B. FINANCIAL ACTION ITEMS	School received the end of pupil balance. Submitted our November audit report to the charter office. The full financial report through September 2025 will be sent out later this evening.
C. SUMMARY OF AIMEE TAKAKI'S CELEBRATION OF LIFE	Common thread is that Aimee cared for everyone and is a perfect example of how MBTA hires solid teachers. She dedicated her life to her students, and we appreciate her service as a Board member
VI. OTHER BUSINESS PRINCIPAL REPORT (ORAL)	Principal Oshiro oral report topic highlights: 1. US News & Report Rankings 2026: MBTA ranked #4 for Elementary School in Hawaii and #1 for Middle School in Hawaii 2. Pre-registration begins shortly. Chris Sumiye will send a reminder to interested families about informational meetings. Our enrollment has been declining along with other schools throughout the state; however, new families quickly realize how rigorous MBTA is and in turn, several students tend to exit at the start of the school year. Mandatory tutoring for students with D/F has made a significant difference. We hope to improve our AP scores and will be conducting our National Honor Society induction ceremony next Monday. 3. We hired a new English teacher to fill Aimee Takaki's position but expect some transition with other staff next school year. 4. Will need to rethink Leadership positions to redistribute the workload to do the job efficiently. 5. WASC is scheduled to come towards the end of March via Zoom.

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VII. ADJOURNMENT	Adjournment GB Finance Chair M. Liao-Troth move to adjourn, second by Executive Boardmember J. Dixon. All attendees voted aye, no opposition, motion carried.
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