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## FOCUS ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Monday, April 20, 2026

Minutes

4:30 p.m.

### **Meeting Called to order:**

Board Chair called the meeting to order at 4:49. James Rossman, Doug Amoroso, James Ballard and Beth McIntyre joined the meeting via Zoom. Staff members Josephine Isenbergh, Loretta Gallo-Lopez, Elisabeth Kraft-Radka, and Meagan Zaharakes were present. Clayton Clemens with Project Focus was present. Karl Langefeld and Ildes Sotelo were absent.

### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Board Chair Rossman sought approval of the April 20, 2026 board minutes. Doug Amoroso made a motion; James Ballard seconded. All approved.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE**

### **FOCUS MOMENT-**

On Friday, April 17, 2026 several students along with Ms. Kraft went to a behind the scenes tour of the Breakaway Music Festival.

### **BOARD CHAIR COMMENTS -**

None

### **COMMITTEE ACTION REPORTS**

#### **Financial Committee-**

Did not meet

#### **Governance Committee-**

Did not meet

#### **Marketing Committee –**

Did not meet

### **ADMINISTRATION REPORT**

Administration is seeking signature for forms indicating the use of millage funding. These forms

These forms are required documentation from the charter office. Administration is also seeking a signature for the contract between Focus Academy, Inc. and Project Focus and Project Focus is seeking an increased pay rate to \$65.00 per hour. The contract will be sent to James Rossman for signature once approved.

Board Chair Rossman sought approval for the increase cost of services for Project Focus, Inc. from \$55.00 to \$65.00. Beth McIntyre made a motion; James Ballard seconded. All approved.

The school will be re-signing their contract with NSLP with both the county and the state but will continue to search for alternative programs for following school years.

**FOUNDATION REPORT**

The Glow Row has garnered a lot of attention and it is looking to be a very succeddful event. The response has been incredible. The Carolina Barrett Foundation is the headlining sponsor with \$25,000. The Rotary Club of Tampa also gave the school a grant.

The Gala is scheduled for Oct. 9 at 7:00PM. The theme is disco - Let's Groove Tonight.

**COMMITTEE/ACTION ITEMS**

Will be sending Board Chair Rossman documents to sign regarding millage, the Project Focus contract, and the King and Walker Audit documents.

**Upcoming Meetings: May 18, 2026**

**Adjournment:** Board Chair Rossman accepted a motion to adjourn, James Ballard made the motion; Beth McIntyre seconded. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 5:13.

**Reminder:** Board members must recuse from voting on any item that may be a conflict of interest.

Minutes taken and prepared by Meagan Zaharakes, approved by board vote and confirmed by signature below:

*James M. Rossman*                      *Chair*

Print Name Title

*James M. Rossman*                      *May 18, 2026*

Signature and Date