



MINUTES

Special Called Commission Meeting

June 2, 2026

Virtual via Webex

Video Recording: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Gv_fvegTw8

Note: These minutes correspond to the video recording. Each item has a minute counter assigned to the subject location in the audio file.

Welcome and Call-to-Order

00:00:00-00:04:13

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

Roll Call

Action of the Commission

Roll Call/Quorum

Committee Member Name	Attendance
Michael Carter	Present
Tom Griscom	Present
Thomas Lehrman	Not Present at Roll Call
Alan Levine	Absent
Tom Marino	Present
Terence Patterson	Present
Eddie Smith	Present
Lauren Smith	Present
Chris Richards	Present

Outcome: 7 of 9 present; quorum established

Approval of Agenda

Action of the Commission

Approval of Meeting Agenda

Motion made by: Eddie Smith | Seconded by: Lauren Smith

Committee Member Name	Vote
Michael Carter	Yes
Tom Griscom	Yes
Thomas Lehrman	Not present for vote
Alan Levine	Absent
Tom Marino	Yes
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Yes
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes

Outcome: 7 ayes; 0 noes; agenda approved

Approval of Prior Minutes

Action of the Commission

Approval of Prior Minutes from April 17, 2026

Motion made by: Tom Griscom | Seconded by: Eddie Smith

Committee Member Name	Vote
Michael Carter	Yes
Tom Griscom	Yes

Thomas Lehrman	Not present for vote
Alan Levine	Absent
Tom Marino	Yes
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Yes
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes

Outcome: 7 ayes; 0 noes; minutes approved

Public Comments

00:04:13-00:04:41

There were no public comments.

Commission Rule Update

00:04:41-00:06:59

Chris Richards, Commission Chairman, recognized Ashley Thomas to present Commission Rule 1185-01-01-.04 on first and final reading.

Action of the Commission

Approval of Commission Rule 1185-01-01-.04 on first and final reading

Motion made by: Eddie Smith | Seconded by: Terence Patterson

Committee Member Name	Vote
Michael Carter	Yes
Tom Griscom	Yes
Thomas Lehrman	Yes
Alan Levine	Absent
Tom Marino	Yes
Terence Patterson	Yes

Eddie Smith	Yes
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes

Outcome: 8 ayes; 0 noes; motion approved

Amendment Petition | Empower Memphis Career and College Prep 00:06:59-00:43:00

Chris Richards, Commission Chairman, recognized Tess Stovall and Beth Figueroa to present the amendment petition for Empower Memphis Career and College Prep.

Action of the Commission

Motion to deny the amendment petition and amended charter agreement for Empower Memphis Career and College Prep

Motion made by: Eddie Smith | Seconded by: Tom Griscom

Committee Member Name	Vote
Michael Carter	Yes
Tom Griscom	Yes
Thomas Lehrman	Yes
Alan Levine	Absent
Tom Marino	Recused
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Yes
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes

Outcome: 7 ayes; 0 noes; motion approved

Adjournment**00:43:00-00:44:16**

Action of the Commission

Approval to adjourn meeting**Motion made by: Michael Carter | Seconded by: Eddie Smith**

Committee Member Name	Vote
Michael Carter	Yes
Tom Griscom	Yes
Thomas Lehrman	Yes
Alan Levine	Absent
Tom Marino	Yes
Terence Patterson	Yes
Eddie Smith	Yes
Lauren Smith	Yes
Chris Richards	Yes

Outcome: 8 ayes; 0 noes; motion approved

Chris Richards, Commission Chairman, adjourned the meeting.