

Vision: To empower all students with a STEM education which will help them reach their maximum potential and guide them to a promising and successful career.

Mission: To provide a high-quality, well-rounded education for K-12 students in Central Florida by incorporating innovative, proven, research-based instructional methods in a stimulating and nurturing environment which provides a special emphasis on Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics (STEM), and Reading.

DISCOVERY EDUCATION SERVICES INC.,
GOVERNING BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

Thursday, January 22, 2026

5:30 PM

at Orlando Science Middle/High School – Lynx Campus

Schools:

Orlando Science Middle/High School
Orlando Science Elementary School
Orlando Science Charter School K-8
Seminole Science Charter School
Osceola Science Charter School

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda Items
3. Public Remarks
4. Board Member Remarks

ACTION ITEMS

Non-Consent Agenda Items

- A01. Request Approval of Board Member Change
- A02. Approval of January 30, 2025, Nomination for Board Director

Discussion Items

- D01. Discussion of Osceola County Sponsor Letter and Response
- D02. Discussion/Review of Possible State Investigation
- D03. Discussion/Review of Public Record Requests
- D04. Discussion/Review of DSS/CEO Contract Changes

Closure of Meeting

Items Discussed and Voted by Governing Board Members:

Mr. Fortna and Dr. Brindala attended in person. Mr. Akdeniz, Mr. Sabuncu and Mr. Colak were absent.

1. Call to Order

- Mr. Fortna called the meeting to order at **5:39 p.m.**

2. Approval of Agenda Items

- There is no quorum due to having only two board members available in the meeting.

3. Public Remarks

- Two members of the public addressed the Board.

4. Board Member Remarks

- Dr. Brindala stated that all board members agreed, during the December 4th meeting, to hold a meeting on January 22nd.

ACTION ITEMS

Non-Consent Agenda Items

A01. Approval of Board Member Change

- No action was taken due to the lack of a quorum.

A02. Approval of January 30, 2025, Nomination for Board Director

- No action was taken due to the lack of a quorum.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

D01. Discussion of Osceola County Sponsor Letter and Response

- Mr. Fortna is preparing the response letter, which will be sent to Osceola County before the due date.

D02. Discussion/Review of Possible State Investigation

- Board Attorney, Shawn Arnold updated board members on this item.

D03. Discussion/Review of Public Record Requests

- Dr. Brindala and Mr. Fortna requested that a report be prepared for the next board meeting. The report will include all board-related public requests between August 2025 and February 2026.

D04. Discussion/Review of DSS/CEO Contract Changes

- Dr. Brindala explained what his goals are by this discussion item.

7. Adjournment

- Mr. Fortna adjourned the meeting at **7:08 p.m.**