

# KIPP ATLANTA SCHOOLS

## KIPP Atlanta Schools COD Meeting Minutes

January 22, 2025

Meeting Location:

Zoom- <https://zoom.us/j/8196287613>

*Due to the Winter storm, the January 22 COD meeting will be held virtually pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1(g)(1) due to weather-related emergency circumstances recognized by the state of emergency declared by the Governor.*

**Board Members Present:** JaKathryn Ross, Richard H. Deane Jr., Deborah Sudbury

**Virtual Board Member Attendance:**

**Staff Members Present:** Kyla Byas-Smith, Lakeesha Ramdhanie , Mini'imah Shaheed,

**Call to Order:** 11:34

### I. Consent Items

- a. A motion was made by JaKathryn Ross and seconded by Deborah Sudbury to call the meeting to order. The motion passed unanimously.

### II. Approved Meeting Minutes

- a. A motion was made by Richard H. Deane Jr. and seconded by Deborah Sudbury to approve the November Meeting Minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

### III. Board Governance Credit

- a. A discussion was had regarding updated Board Member Governance Credit completion and the availability of in-person and virtual training opportunities through the Georgia Charter Schools Association.

### IV. New Board Chair

- a. A motion was made by JaKathryn Ross and seconded by Deborah Sudbury to approve having Hector Calzada serve as the next KIPP Atlanta Schools Board Chair. The motion passed unanimously.

### V. Committee on Directors

- a. A discussion was had regarding transitioning COD members and the new COD Chair.
- b. A discussion was had regarding new COD members.

### VI. Board Member Feedback

- a. Anti-Bias Training for Board Members
  - i. A discussion was had regarding how we can embed anti-bias training in Board Governance Training.
  - ii. An inquiry will be made to the Georgia Charter School Association to determine if they offer Anti-bias training.

### VII. New Business

- a. A discussion was had regarding Board Members living outside of the State of Georgia per our Bylaws.
- b. A discussion was had regarding our Board Member, Linda King who has resigned.
- c. A discussion was had regarding onboarding new Board Members.
- d. A discussion was had regarding Board Member give/get. Richard H. Deane Jr. will share

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this as an update during the February 5 Board Meeting.

- e. A discussion was had regarding meeting times, COD Chair, JaKathryn Ross recommended a survey. A recommendation was had to begin meetings at 7:30 AM during the week, 9:00 AM, or 5:30 PM.

## **VIII. Close:**

- a. A motion was made by Deborah Sudbury and seconded by Richard H. Deane Jr. to adjourn the committee meeting. The motion passed unanimously.
- b. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:37.
- c. Respectfully submitted by Kyla Byas-Smith.