

# KIPP ATLANTA SCHOOLS

## KIPP Atlanta Schools COD Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2025

Meeting Location:

1050 White Street Suite C Atlanta, GA 30301

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

**Virtual Board Member Attendance:**

**Staff Members Present:** Kyla Byas-Smith, Lakeesha Ramdhanie , Ra'Chel Ford

**Call to Order:** 9:07

### 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 to revise the January 22 Meeting Minutes
- b. A motion was made by Richard H. Deane Jr. and seconded by Deborah Sudbury to approve the January Meeting Minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

### III. Board Governance Credit

- a. A discussion was had regarding updated Board Member Governance Credit
- b. A discussion was had regarding outreach to Board Members who have not begun Governance Credit

### IV. Board Chair Succession

- a. A discussion was had regarding the Board Chair's succession and shifted Hector to Chair Elect and Joe Arnold as Board Chair
- b. JaKathryn Ross made a motion that while we voted in the last meeting for Hector Calzada to serve as Board Chair, in light of recent events, we will have Joe Arnold serve as Board Chair and Hector Calzada as Chair elect for the upcoming 2025-2026 School Year, conditional on this arrangement being acceptable to Hector. Richard H. Deane Jr. seconded the motion.
- c. A discussion was held regarding re-electing Joe Arnold as a sitting Board Member and a vote being made at the next Board Meeting to move Joe Arnold from Honorary Board Member to Board Member.

### V. Committee on Directors

- a. A discussion was had regarding transitioning COD members and the new COD Chair.
- b. A discussion was had regarding the Chair of COD extending their term as a Board Member and then extending their term as Chair of COD by appointment.
- c. A discussion was had regarding COD members.
- d. A discussion was made regarding COD Chair extending her term on the Board

**VI. New Business**

- a. A discussion was had regarding the Board Meeting Scheduling Survey | 2025-2026 School Year. The data will be shared during the March 19, 2025 Board Meeting.
- b. A discussion was had regarding public comment.
- c. A discussion was had regarding the Board grievance policy for employees
- d. A discussion was had regarding the Board grievance policy for families.
- e. Next COD Meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 18, 2025 at 9:00 AM at the KIPP Atlanta Schools Offices.

**VII. 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 9:47.
- c. Respectfully submitted by Kyla Byas-Smith.

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