



**KIPP Atlanta Schools Committee On Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**September 16, 2025**  
**1050 White Street, Suite C, Atlanta, GA, 30310 (Small Conference Room)**

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**Committee Members Present:** Joseph Arnold, Richard H. Dean Jr., JaKathryn Ross\*

**Staff Members Present:** Lakeesha Ramdhanie, Ra'Chel Ford

**Other Attendees:** N/A

*Committee Chair \**

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**I. Summary of Discussion:**

- A. The Committee on Directors meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, at the KIPP Atlanta Schools Office. Quorum was met, with three members present in person contributing to quorum.

**II. Call to Order:**

- A. The meeting was called to order at **9:00 a.m.** by **JaKathryn Ross**, approved by **Joseph Arnold**, and seconded by **Richard H. Dean Jr.**

**III. Welcome & Agenda:**

**IV. Consent Items:**

- A. The motion to approve the April 18, 2025, meeting minutes as edited (revised the spelling of Joseph Arnold's name) was made by JaKathryn Ross, approved by Richard H. Dean Jr., and seconded by Joseph Arnold.
- B. The motion was approved unanimously, with no abstentions and no opposition.

**V. Discussion Highlights:**

**A. Board Member Engagement (9:10)**

- 1. The committee discussed board recruitment efforts and reviewed current board member terms.

**B. Board Compliance Review (9:40)**

- 1. The committee reviewed current compliance status and needs, including documentation, training requirements and background checks.
- 2. Members examined the board member training plan to ensure it provides clarity and aligns with governance expectations for the upcoming year.

**C. Simbli Platform Overview (10:00)**

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1. The committee received an overview of the Simbli platform, including the proposed implementation plan and rollout timeline.
2. Members discussed how the platform will support streamlined board processes, centralized documentation, and improved communication across committees and the full board.

## D. Board Communication (10:30)

1. The committee discussed board members' preferences for methods of contact and communication.
2. Members considered approaches to strengthen transparency, consistency, and accessibility of information flow across committees and the organization.

## VI. Adjournment:

- A. The motion was made to adjourn the meeting by **JaKathryn Ross**. The motion was approved by **Joseph Arnold** & seconded by **Richard H. Dean Jr.**
- B. The motion was approved unanimously, with no abstentions and no opposition.
- C. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.
- D. Respectfully submitted by **Lakeesha Ramdhanie**.

## VII. Summary of Actions:

### A.

Action Item	Owner	Deadline/ Status
Recommend John Fite to the Development Committee for a full board vote on October 28.	JaKathryn Ross	October 28
Roll out the new board email process at the October 28 board meeting.	Lakeesha Ramdhanie	October 28
Recommend Brooks Lumpkin to become Board of Director for a full board vote on October 28.	JaKathryn	October 28