



KIPP ATLANTA SCHOOLS | BOARD GOVERNANCE

New Board Member Orientation

Agenda

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

DRAFT FOR DISCUSSION

TIME	SESSION	FACILITATOR
9:00 – 9:15	<i>Welcome Breakfast & Introductions (Meet at KIPP STRIVE)</i>	<i>Dr. Cormack, Board Chair & Executive Team</i>
9:15 – 10:15	KIPP STRIVE School Tour	School Leadership
10:15 – 10:30	<i>Travel to Regional Office</i>	
10:30 – 10:45	The KIPP Atlanta Schools Origin Story	David Jernigan
10:45 – 11:00	Board & Committee Structure & Meeting Flow	JaKathryn Ross
11:00 – 11:05	<i>Stretch Break</i>	
11:05 – 11:50	KIPP Atlanta 2030 Strategic Plan & Organizational Priorities	Dr. Cormack & Ben Cabeza
11:50 – 12:00	Connections Activity: New & Current Board Members	Dr. Tauheedah Baker-Jones
12:00 – 12:45	<i>Lunch</i>	
12:45 – 1:00	Logistics: Headshots, Fingerprints, & Paperwork Completion	All Board Members
1:00 – 2:15	Georgia Charter School Association (GCSA) Board Governance Training Part I	GCSA
2:15 – 2:30	<i>Break / Refreshments</i>	
2:30 – 3:50	Georgia Charter School Association (GCSA) Board Governance Training Part II	GCSA
3:50 – 4:00	Reflection & Close Out	GCSE/Dr. Jones

RECOMMENDED FACILITATION NOTES

- Open the day by framing Board service as stewardship of KIPP Atlanta’s mission and scholars.
- Use the school visit to connect governance decisions to the scholar experience.
- Encourage questions and discussion during the Strategic Plan presentation.
- Use a realistic Board agenda item during the simulation, including motions, consent agenda, committee reports, and voting.
- Close the day with reflection: (1) What inspired you most today? (2) What unique perspective or expertise will you contribute as a Board member?