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## Midtown Community School

### Minutes

#### Special Meeting (Virtual)

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**Date and Time**

Wednesday March 25, 2026 at 12:00 PM

**Location**

via Zoom

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**Directors Present**

A. Bland (remote), A. DeWilde (remote), B. Finocchario (remote), J. Herman (remote), J. MacDonald (remote), S. Bond (remote), S. Rios (remote)

**Directors Absent**

L. Butler

**Directors who arrived after the meeting opened**

J. MacDonald

**Guests Present**

D. Miles (remote), R. Brennan (remote)

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**I. Opening Items****A. Call the Meeting to Order**

S. Rios called a meeting of the board of directors of Midtown Community School to order on Wednesday Mar 25, 2026 at 12:05 PM.

**B.**

## Roll Call Attendance

### C. Review & Consideration of Proposed Agenda

S. Bond made a motion to approve the Agenda as proposed.

A. Bland seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## II. Public Comment

### A. Public Comment

Ms. Rios introduced herself, thanked the public, and provided an overview of the public comment process and guidelines. Ms. Rios then invited public comment; no comment was made.

J. MacDonald arrived at 12:07 PM.

## III. 2026-2031 Sponsorship

### A. Review & Consideration of Sponsorship Agreement with KCPS

Dr. Miles introduced Mr. McDaniel (Guin Mundorf) to lead the discussion. Mr. McDaniel provided an overview of KCPS's general charter sponsorship process and the sequence of events that led to the current proposed agreement.

Mr. McDaniel addressed a specific clause in the agreement pertaining to charter revocation, clarifying that any potential revocation would follow a collaborative probationary process rather than an arbitrary or abrupt determination. He confirmed that this approach is consistent with both KCPS's sponsorship manual and the language of the agreement as written.

Mr. McDaniel then addressed the clause referencing KCPS's commitment to reinvest 15% of its 1.5% sponsor fee back to Citizens. He noted that historically, Dr. Hile has worked individually with charter schools to determine the most applicable use of those funds, and that the provision is intentionally broad in scope to allow for flexibility.

Mr. McDaniel facilitated a brief discussion regarding the proposed redline changes and invited any remaining Board questions or comments. The Board indicated agreement with the proposed changes. Mr. McDaniel confirmed that KCPS has accepted all redline changes and that the Board is now in a position to formally approve the agreement, noting the April 3rd submission deadline.

Ms. Rios called for a motion to approve the agreement.

A. Bland made a motion to approve the Agreement as proposed.

J. Herman seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

#### IV. Closed Session

##### A. Roll Call Vote to Enter

Ms. Rios invited Dr. Miles and Mr. Brennan (Citizens staff) as well as Mr. McDaniel (Guin Mundorf) to Closed Session.

S. Rios made a motion to enter Closed Session.

A. DeWilde seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

##### Roll Call

A. Bland       Aye  
B. Finocchario   Aye  
L. Butler       Absent  
J. MacDonald    Aye  
A. DeWilde     Aye  
S. Bond         Aye  
J. Herman       Aye  
S. Rios         Aye

S. Rios made a motion to return to Open Session.

B. Finocchario seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

##### Roll Call

S. Bond         Aye  
A. DeWilde     Aye  
S. Rios         Aye  
L. Butler       Absent  
J. MacDonald   Aye  
A. Bland       Aye  
B. Finocchario Aye  
J. Herman      Aye

#### V. Return from Closed Session

##### A. Report on any Action Taken as Required

Ms. Rios welcomed members of the public back into Open Session and reported that discussion related to (1) Legal Discussion. One action was taken that requires reporting:

Mrs. Bond made a motion to approve the revised MOU for Educational Services with Crossroads Charter Schools and authorized Dr. Miles and Mr. MacDaniel to negotiate final details and execute the agreement; Ms. Finocchario seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Hon. Bland - aye  
Ms. Bond - aye  
Ms. Finocchario - aye  
Mrs. Herman - aye  
Mr. MacDonald - aye  
Ms. Rios - aye

The motion passed unanimously.

## **VI. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 12:36 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
R. Brennan

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