



ONE CITY
SCHOOLS

One City Schools

Minutes

One City Regular Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday June 24, 2025 at 4:00 PM

Location

This meeting of the One City Board of Directors will take place in-person, at M3 Insurance, located at 828 John Nolen Dr, Madison. For those outside of Madison, or who are traveling, please use the following link:

<https://onecityschools.zoom.us/j/87275142442?pwd=VGU5c1BFLy83QnAzekZXY2IxOWJjUT09>

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Passcode for the meeting is OneCity

Directors Present

B. Curley-Prestine, C. Gaines (remote), D. Dantzler Jr. (remote), G. Derzon (remote), G. Ladson-Billings (remote), J. Howard, J. Johnson, J. Krupp, N. Wray, S. Stroman (remote), T. Pedracine

Directors Absent

D. Aguayo, S. Campagna, S. Klug

Ex Officio Members Present

K. Caire

Non Voting Members Present

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Guests Present

B. Pickett, C. Hampton, G. Wiseman, M. Dyslin, M. Ruffin

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Howard called a meeting of the board of directors of One City Schools to order on Tuesday Jun 24, 2025 at 4:00 PM.

C. Approve Minutes from the March 25, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

J. Krupp made a motion to approve the minutes from One City Regular Board Meeting on 03-25-25.

B. Curley-Prestine seconded the motion.

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

D. Approve Minutes from the May 27, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

J. Howard made a motion to approve the minutes from One City Regular Board Meeting on 05-27-25.

J. Krupp seconded the motion.

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

II. Review and Approve May 2025 Financials

A. Approve May 2025 Financials

J. Howard made a motion to approve the May 2025 financials.

B. Curley-Prestine seconded the motion.

J. Vertz reviewed the May financials, noting that cash on hand increased in late May with the receipt of the per pupil funding and funds from the Pleasant T. Rowland Foundation.

The Board was notified of the New Market Tax Credit issue and resolution.

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

III. Approve the Wisconsin Charter School Program Grant Sub-Budget

A. Wisconsin Charter School Program Grant

J. Johnson made a motion to approve an increase in Federal sources of revenue / expenses by \$500,000.

T. Pedracine seconded the motion.

The [Wisconsin Charter School Program](#) (WCSP) is a federal grant program that provides funding to support the development and expansion of high-quality charter schools in Wisconsin.

One City Schools was awarded an additional \$500,000 in the current fiscal year for the final year of this reimbursable grant. These expenses/revenues would be in excess of the current year approved budget. Per our financial policies, this sub-budget was reviewed by the Finance Committee and is now approved by the board.

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

IV. Review and Approval of One City Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-26

A. 2025-26 Budget Review and Approval

J. Howard made a motion to approve the One City Schools operating budget for the 2025-26 school year.

B. Curley-Prestine seconded the motion.

Board members reviewed and discussed the proposed 2025-26 budget. Board member N. Wray requested a budget recap document that includes assumptions and a roadmap for ongoing board review.

- A dashboard-style document will be created to track budget assumptions from the beginning of the school year compared to year-end actuals
- J. Vertz will add a standing agenda item for Finance Committee meetings to review assumption updates
- Assumption updates will present significant changes to the full Board when they warrant board-level attention

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

V. One City Schools Advocates Update

A. Advocacy Update

K. Caire reported that One City staff are working with our external advocates, supporters and key community partners to have the demonstration school proposal in the final

budget, or in a standalone bill passed into law by the Republican legislature and signed by Governor Evers.

VI. Enrollment Update

A. Enrollment Update for 2025-26 School Year

M. Ruffin reported that we have a total of 534 spaces and have so far received 615 applications. We currently have a total of 343 returning students and 272 new applications. In some grades, we have waitlists for most grades, with single digit open seats in 3rd, 7th and 8th grades.

VII. One City Schools Rally and Graduation July 2025

A. July 10, 2025 Rally and July 11, 2025 Graduation Updates

Staff provided a brief update on plans for the July 10th Rally and the July 11th 8th grade promotion.

- Ticket sales are moving and VIP tables have been purchased. Staff and board members will continue to make calls encouraging community members to attend the Rally.
- Board members reported some concerns around issues purchasing tickets/tables.

The 8th grade promotion will be held at TruStage (formerly CUNA), from 2pm-4pm. Steve Goldberg will deliver the key note presentation. Board members are encouraged to attend.

VIII. One City Schools, Inc. Department Reports

A. Department Reports

Staff gave brief updates on departments, written reports are attached to the agenda and Board members are encouraged to contact department heads or staff secretary to the board with any questions.

IX. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

T. Pedracine made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

B. Curley-Prestine seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
G. Wiseman

For more information, or if you have any questions, please contact COO and staff secretary to the board, Gail Wiseman at (608) 514-6119 or gwiseman@onecityschools.org.