

KIPP TULSA PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS

Minutes

KIPP Tulsa Public Charter Schools - Regular Board Meeting

August 25, 2026

Date and Time

Tuesday August 25, 2026 at 12:00 PM

Location

KIPP Tulsa University Prep High School
541 S. 43rd W. Ave.
Tulsa, OK, 74127

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Board Members:

Jacob Odom, Dewayne Dickens, Michael Epps, Darnell Blackmon, Brett Krieg, Kim Boyd, Kyara Smith, Jumoke Akingbola

School Representatives:

Donterrio Marzett, Superintendent; Keet Finley, School Operations Support; Mayra Burke, Finance Specialist; Sienna Scott, Director of Teaching and Learning; Janey Nemard, Development Director; Tiona Bowman, Principal; Melanie Rathod, Principal; and Bill Hickman, Legal Counsel

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Directors Present

Brian Humphrey, Darnell Blackmon, Dewayne Dickens, Jacob Odom, Jumoke Akingbola, Kim Boyd, Kyara Smith

Directors Absent

Brett Krieg, Michael Epps

Ex Officio Members Present

William Hickman (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

William Hickman (remote)

Guests Present

Donterrio Marzett, Keet Finley, Mayra Burke

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Dewayne Dickens called a meeting of the board of directors of KIPP TULSA PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS to order on Tuesday Aug 25, 2026 at 12:00 PM.

B. Welcome

C. Roll Call

D. Agenda Review

E. Mission Moment

Tiah Pankey spoke on her mission and why she became a teacher at KIPP. She inspired others with the importance of education. She realized that if she could encourage other adults to go back to school, she could encourage students. This is how she became a teacher at KIPP.

II. Public Comment

A. Public Comment

N/A

III. Board Committee Reports

A. Finance Committee

Jacob Odom spoke on the Finance Committee.

Net Assets 2025=1.9mil

Net Assets 2026=2. mil

B. Academic Committee

Dewayne Dickens spoke on the beginning of year Academics.

-ORU partnership

-New Data Analyst

-Beginning of year testing- results will be shared at next board meeting

_APM-understanding the levels of student growth

-D Marzett named interim principal

C. Development Committee

D Marzett spoke on Development

-Janey is working on several grants.

-TAUW blackout August 15th to November 15th

D. Governance Committee

IV. Consent Agenda

A. Approve July 28, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Jumoke Akingbola made a motion to approve the minutes from July 28 Board Minutes
KIPP Tulsa Public Charter Schools - Regular Board Meeting on 07-28-26.

Kim Boyd seconded the motion.

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

B. Approval of the June Financial Reports

Jumoke Akingbola made a motion to approve the minutes from June Financial Reports.

Kim Boyd seconded the motion.

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

C. Approval of General Fund Purchase Orders

Jumoke Akingbola made a motion to approve the minutes from General Fund Purchase Orders.

Kim Boyd seconded the motion.

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

D. Approval of Activity Fund Purchase Orders

Jumoke Akingbola made a motion to approve the minutes from Activity Fund Purchase Orders.

Kim Boyd seconded the motion.

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

E. Approval of Building Fund Items

Jumoke Akingbola made a motion to approve the minutes from Building Fund Items.

Kim Boyd seconded the motion.

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

F. Approval of Gifts Fund Items

Jumoke Akingbola made a motion to Approve the gift fund items.

Kim Boyd seconded the motion.

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

V. Action Agenda

A. Approval of Graduation Requirements Policy

Kyara Smith made a motion to approve the minutes from Graduation Requirements Policy.

Kim Boyd seconded the motion.

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

B. Authorization of Executive Director to Execute Documents Related to the Acquisition and Financing of the Mark Twain School Site

Jacob Odom made a motion to approve the minutes from ED to Execute documents on Mark Twain for Acquisition and Financing.

Darnell Blackmon seconded the motion.

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

C. Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Mark Twain Facility Acquisition and Financing

Darnell Blackmon made a motion to approve the minutes from Possible Action regarding Mark Twain Acquisition and Financing.

Kim Boyd seconded the motion.

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

VI. Closing Items

A. Announcements

Reminder next Board Meeting will take place on September 1st from 12-1:30pm at 541 S 43rd W Ave.

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Keet Finley

This agenda was posted by Mayra Burke at kipptulsa.org and at the front entrances of KIPP Tulsa College Preparatory and KIPP Tulsa University Prep on August 24, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. in compliance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

Regular Meeting, August 25, 2026