

Rooted School - New Orleans

Board Meeting

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Date and Time

Wednesday October 28, 2026 at 5:00 PM CDT

Location

6701 Press Drive
SUNO School of Education & Human Development

MEETING NOTIFICATION
Wednesday, October 28, 2026
5:00 P.M. Central Time

IN PERSON MEETING:

Rooted School
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ROOM 106 - SOCIAL HALL

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PUBLIC NOTICE:

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Board meetings shall be held in this manner until further notice.

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			5:00 PM
A. Record Attendance	Vote	Frank Ingargiola	2 m
Attendance will be recorded by Frank Ingargiola.			
B. Call the Meeting to Order		Mark Quinn	1 m
The meeting will be called to order by Mark Quinn.			
C. Approval of Board Minutes of 08-19-2026	Approve Minutes	Mark Quinn	2 m
The Board will make a motion to vote to approve the minutes of 08-19-2026			
II. PUBLIC MEETING PORTION: DISCUSSION ITEMS			5:05 PM
A. Mission Moment: McKenzie Galloway	Discuss	Kaitlin Karpinski	10 m
Ms. Galloway will share some of her experiences being a student at Rooted School and a member of the Grow Your Own Program.			
B. EdOps Financial Overview - School Year 2026 - 2027	Discuss	Joe Daschbach	15 m
• Joe Daschbach of EdOps will present Rooted School's current financial overview including closeout of FY 2025 - 2026 • Current status of Speight external audit for FY 2025 - 2026			
C. Executive Director Presentation - Ms. Kaitlin Karpinski	Discuss	Kaitlin Karpinski	20 m

	Purpose	Presenter	Time	
	• Update on charter renewal progress • Update on recent <i>Ribbon Cutting Ceremony</i> • Update on Attendance • Introduction of school Principal, Ms. Jemiah Boagni for her board report			
D.	School Leader Presentation Ms. Jemiah Boagni	Discuss	Jemiah Boagni	15 m
	Ms. Jemiah Boagni will present her 2026 - 2027 academic / culture initiatives and progress goals to the Rooted School Board of Directors and community.			
E.	Update on State-Funded Teacher Stipends for 2026 - 2027	Discuss	Frank Ingargiola	5 m
	• Mr. Ingargiola will briefly discuss the plan for the release of any guaranteed state-funded teacher stipends for the 2026 - 2027 school year. • The plan will be to disburse the monies in December 2026 once the LDOE and NOPS provide additional guidance and support. • This discussion will serve as first notification and board approval of the plan.			

III. PUBLIC MEETING PORTION: ACTION ITEMS

6:10 PM

A.	Updated Review & Vote on 2026 - 2027 Pupil Progression Plan	Vote	Kaitlin Karpinski	10 m
Ms. Karpinski will present the 2026 - 2027 <i>Rooted School Pupil Progression Plan</i> overview to the Rooted School Board of Directors and the community for their vote.				
B.	Public Comment: Action Item 2026 - 2027 Pupil Progression Plan	Discuss	Public Comment	5 m

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C.	Second Reading of Board Policies and Board Approval Vote	Vote	Frank Ingargiola
	• ACT 737 Human Trafficking Victim Identification and Reporting Policy • ACT 962 School-Based Health Services Policy • R.S. 17-3996(B) Teacher Shield Act Policy • Smart Glasses - Meta Glasses Policy [Students & Employees]		5 m
D.	Public Comment: Second Reading of Board Policies	Discuss	Public Comment
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IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Only if requested by the Board of Directors 6:35 PM

- THERE IS NO SCHEDULED EXECUTIVE SESSION AT THE TIME OF THE PUBLISHED AGENDA.

A.	Executive Session: At the time the agenda was published, there was no scheduled Executive Session for this meeting	Vote	Mark Quinn	20 m
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- Should there be a request for an Executive Session, the Rooted School Board of Directors will be required to vote on a motion to that effect prior to going into Executive Session.
- The Board will state the reasons for the Executive Session and those will be added to the minutes.
- There will be no vote(s) taken in Executive Session.
- Any discussion requiring a formal Board vote will be done after the motion is made to reconvene in the public session

B.	Public Comment: Matters from Executive Session	Discuss	Public Comment	5 m
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V.	Closing Items		7:00 PM
A.	Adjourn Meeting	Vote	

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Coversheet

Approval of Board Minutes of 08-19-2026

Section: I. Opening Items
Item: C. Approval of Board Minutes of 08-19-2026
Purpose: Approve Minutes
Submitted by:
Related Material:
Minutes for MEETING OF THE ROOTED SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS on August 19, 2026

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Rooted School - New Orleans

Minutes

MEETING OF THE ROOTED SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

August Meeting - 2026 - 2027 School Year

Date and Time

Wednesday August 19, 2026 at 5:00 PM

Location

Rooted School
6701 Press Drive
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MEETING NOTIFICATION
Wednesday, June 19, 2026
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Roll Call

N. Patrick Absent
A. Alexis Absent
B. Shelling Aye
M. Quinn Aye
H. Campbell Absent

II. PUBLIC MEETING PORTION: DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Mission Moment: Khloe Cola

- Ms. Cola presented her impressions as a Rooted School student simultaneously attending the Nursing Program at NOCC.
- Ms. Cola has been slated to graduate from her program with honors.

B. Executive Director Presentation

- Ms. Karpinski reviewed current enrollment against the budget projection for FY 2026 - 2027.
- Rooted currently has 18 more students enrolled than projected.
- Ms. Karpinski reviewed the LDOE accountability scorecard again to ensure that all Board members are up to speed on metrics against current performance.
- Rooted is currently hoping for a 6-Year renewal assuming all academic growth projections are accurate and predictive.

C. Updates on Enrollment & Charter Renewal Accountability

Ms. Karpinski reviewed current enrollment against the budget projection for FY 2026 - 2027.

D. 2026 - 2027 Focus Group Discussions

- There was a discussion of 3 possible scenarios for fundraising and parent engagement.
- The Board was asked to weigh in on one of the 3 options.
- Board members discussed capacity for additional meetings.
- There was a brief discussion regarding prior structures that have failed due to time commitments.

E. Board Handbook & Statement of Assurances

Ms. Karpinski hand-delivered the Statements of Assurance to all Board members for their completion at the meeting.

F.

Contract Approvals and Act 370 Posting Guidelines

- Ms. Karpinski and Mr. Ingargiola will make certain that all contracts listed for the Act 370 reporting period are posted on the website within the given legal deadlines.
- All contracts are being reviewed with Sherah LeBouef of EdOps.

G. FIRST READING: New School, Student & Employee Policies for Board Approval

- Board members were instructed to review all policies for additional input and recommendations.
- The policies associated with legislative action will have little room for editing as they were previously reviewed by Adams & Reese [Rooted School Legal Counsel].

III. PUBLIC MEETING PORTION: ACTION ITEMS

A. Updated Review of L.A.M.P. Investments To Date

M. Quinn made a motion to update Rooted's L.A.M.P. investment to have a remaining balance threshold of 60-Days of cash on hand in General Fund.

S. Glapion seconded the motion.

- A brief introduction of the L.A.M.P. program was shared with the Board and the public.
- Board members asked for additional information regarding the investment strategy(ies) moving forward.
- Shannon Glapion asked to include an explanation of L.A.M.P. in the Board Finance Handbook.

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

Roll Call

J. Flint	Aye
L. Diaz	Aye
N. Patrick	Absent
M. Quinn	Aye
B. Shelling	Aye
A. Alexis	Absent
S. Glapion	Aye
H. Campbell	Absent

B. Public Comment: Action Item L.A.M.P. Investment Strategy

No public comment for this action item.

C. Return of Lucas Diaz to the Rooted School Board of Directors

M. Quinn made a motion to restore Lucas Diaz to the Rooted school Board of Directors.

Mr. Diaz was introduced to the public and the newest members of the Board by Executive Director, Kaitlin Karpinski.

Roll Call

M. Quinn	Aye
J. Flint	Aye
H. Campbell	Absent
N. Patrick	Absent
B. Shelling	Aye
S. Glapion	Aye
A. Alexis	Absent

No public comment for this action item.

L. Diaz made a motion to adopt the updates and changes to the 2026 - 2027 academic curriculum.

Ms. Karpinski provided a brief oversight of the changes to the various curricula.

Roll Call

B. Shelling	Aye
S. Glapion	Aye
N. Patrick	Absent
A. Alexis	Absent
L. Diaz	Aye
J. Flint	Aye
M. Quinn	Aye
H. Campbell	Absent

No public comment for this action item.

A. Executive Session: At the time the agenda was published, there was no scheduled Executive Session for this meeting

B. Public Comment: Matters from Executive Session

There was no Executive Session for this meeting.

V. 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 6:09 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
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Section:	II. PUBLIC MEETING PORTION: DISCUSSION ITEMS
Item:	E. Update on State-Funded Teacher Stipends for 2026 - 2027
Purpose:	Discuss
Submitted by:	
Related Material:	2026_08_19_board_meeting_minutes.pdf

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Directors Present

B. Shelling, J. Flint, L. Diaz, M. Quinn, S. Glapion

Directors Absent

A. Alexis, H. Campbell, N. Patrick

Ex Officio Members Present

F. Ingargiola

Non Voting Members Present

F. Ingargiola

Guests Present

Dr. Trenell Jackson - NOPS, K. Karpinski

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

M. Quinn called a meeting of the board of directors of Rooted School - New Orleans to order on Wednesday Aug 19, 2026 at 5:09 PM.

C. Approval of Board Minutes of 06/12/2026

M. Quinn made a motion to approve the minutes from Rooted School Board of Directors: Committee of the Whole Meeting and Board Retreat on 06-12-26.

S. Glapion seconded the motion.

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

H. Campbell	Absent
N. Patrick	Absent
S. Glapion	Aye
M. Quinn	Aye
L. Diaz	Aye
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A. Alexis	Absent
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H. Campbell Absent

M. Quinn Aye

S. Glapion Aye

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D. Public Comment: Lucas Diaz Return to the Rooted School Board of Directors

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E. SY 2026 - 2027 Approval of Curriculum

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