

# Rooted School - New Orleans

## Minutes

### Board of Directors Meeting: March 12, 2024

Rooted School at SUNO

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**Date and Time**

Tuesday March 12, 2024 at 7:00 PM

**Location**

Meeting will be virtual on zoom

6701 Press Drive,  
New Orleans, LA 70126

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This is a special meeting of the Rooted School Board of Directors.

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**Directors Present**

A. Utley (remote), G. Jones Herbert (remote), K. Andrews (remote), K. Woods (remote), M. Quinn (remote), S. Glapion (remote), S. Short (remote)

**Directors Absent**

*None*

**Directors who arrived after the meeting opened**

K. Andrews, S. Short

**Guests Present**

C. Jackson (remote), F. Ingargiola (remote), K. Karpinski (remote)

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**I. Opening Items****A. Record Attendance**

K. Andrews arrived at 7:12 PM.

S. Short arrived at 7:40 PM.

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

G. Jones Herbert called a meeting of the board of directors of Rooted School - New Orleans to order on Tuesday Mar 12, 2024 at 7:04 PM.

**II. Executive Session**

**A. Executive Session Item #1**

G. Jones Herbert made a motion to move into executive session to discuss item 1 on the executive session agenda.

M. Quinn seconded the motion.

**Motion:** GeDa' Jones Herbert made a motion to terminate Spera Law Group as general counsel effective March 31, 2024 and solicit an RFP for scope of work.

**Seconded:** Shannon Glapion

**Vote Outcome:** Motion Passed

**Yes Votes:**

Alyse Utley  
GeDá Jones Herbert  
Kathy Woods  
Kimberly Andrews  
Mark Quinn  
Shannon Glapion

**Abstain:**

Sabrina Short

**Motion:** GeDa' Jones Herbert made a motion to temporarily retain Transcendent Law Group as temporary general counsel

**Seconded:** Alyse Utley

**Vote Outcome:** Motion Passed

**Abstain:** Sabrina Short

**Yes Votes:**

Alyse Utley  
GeDá Jones Herbert  
Kathy Woods  
Kimberly Andrews  
Mark Quinn  
Shannon Glapion

**Abstain:**

Sabrina Short

**Motion:** Shannon Glapion made a motion to temporarily retain Transcendent Law Group as temporary general counsel at the highest tier of service.

**Seconded:** Kimberly Woods

**Vote Outcome:** Motion Passed

**Yes Votes:**

Alyse Utley  
GeDá Jones Herbert  
Kathy Woods  
Kimberly Andrews  
Mark Quinn  
Shannon Glapion

**Abstain:**

Sabrina Short

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

**Roll Call**

M. Quinn	Aye
S. Glapion	Aye
A. Utley	Aye
K. Woods	Aye
G. Jones Herbert	Aye
S. Short	Abstain
K. Andrews	Aye

**B. Executive Session Item #2:**

G. Jones Herbert made a motion to move into executive session to discuss item 2 on the executive session agenda.

M. Quinn seconded the motion.

**Motion:** Kimberly Andrews made a motion in executive session to allow the board chair to move forward with decision-making authority in the investigation of the grievance submitted to the board.

**Seconded:** Sabrina Short

**Yes Votes:**

Alyse Utley  
GeDá Jones Herbert  
Kathy Woods  
Kimberly Andrews  
Mark Quinn  
Sabrina Short  
Shannon Glapion

**Abstain:** None

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

**Roll Call**

K. Andrews	Aye
S. Short	Aye
G. Jones Herbert	Aye
S. Glapion	Aye
A. Utley	Aye
K. Woods	Aye
M. Quinn	Aye

**III. Public Forum:**

**A. Public Forum**

- Our public comment period is for members of the public to address the board.
- Each member of the public may sign up to comment at the meeting and will be allotted three - five minutes.
- The board will listen, but may not directly respond to any comments.
- Please do not use specific student, teacher or administrator names in your comments as our meetings are open to the public and public record, and we must follow FERPA guidelines - Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

**As such, if your comment is about a private matter, please contact the board via email, or speak to the board chair privately.**

There was no public comment at the meeting.

#### **IV. 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 8:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
G. Jones Herbert

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