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Rooted School - New Orleans

Minutes

MEETING OF THE ROOTED SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Finance Committee & Committee-of-the-Whole

Date and Time
Wednesday October 30, 2024 at 5:00 PM

Location
Rose Room - Rooted School

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING AND COMMITTEE-of-the-WHOLE MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2024 WILL BE AN IN-PERSON MEETING.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE COMMITTEE-of-the-WHOLE MEETING WILL BEGIN PROMPTLY AT 5:30 PM.

You may also join virtually using the link below with 24-Hour prior notification to the school office at 732-407-1212.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2559449115?pwd=Zy9veWdGS3Q3Q3Z5UjBsa2JVUzNYUT09&omn=85811522625

IMPORTANT PUBLIC NOTICE: Pursuant to emergency proclamation 30-JCE 2020, the Rooted School New Orleans Board hereby certifies that it will conduct all meetings scheduled for 2024 - 2025, in person (unless otherwise designated), at 6701 Press Dr. in the College of Education Building & Human Development on SUNO's campus in the Rose Room on the 1st Floor.

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

Directors Present
A. Utley, G. Jones Herbert, L. Diaz, M. Quinn, S. Glapion

Directors Absent
K. Woods, S. Short

Ex Officio Members Present
F. Ingargiola

Guests Present
Andrew Legrand, Dr. Trenell Jackson, K. Karpinski, Kash Friday, Kristen Poche

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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 Oct 30, 2024 at 5:37 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

M. Quinn made a motion to approve the minutes from MEETING OF THE ROOTED SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS on 08-28-24.
L. Diaz seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

K. Woods	Absent
L. Diaz	Aye
G. Jones Herbert	Abstain
S. Glapion	Aye
M. Quinn	Aye
A. Utley	Aye
S. Short	Absent

II. PUBLIC FORUM - #1

A. Notes from the Public Forum (If Applicable)

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 adhere to FERPA - 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 for this session of the Committee-of-the-Whole.

III. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Mission Moment

Ms. Karpinski will lead the board in a "Mission Moment" with former Rooted Student, Kristen Poche and current student, Kash Friday.

The students presented their respective visions and experiences at Rooted School and spoke to the lessons they learned regarding college success skills and general life-skills.

B. Finance Committee FY 2024 - 2025 Budget Update - DISCUSSION

Shannon Glapion presented a brief update of the Finance Committee report to the Committee-of-the-Whole. In her presentation, she explained Rooted's current cash-on-hand and the potential ramifications of legal fees -- FY 2023 to date.

C. Proposal for Facilities Committee

Mark Quinn advanced a request of the current board members to consider being part of a ***Facilities Committee***. Board members were asked to reach out to the Chair with any interest.

D. Updates to the Pupil Progression Plan

Shannon Glapion made a motion for the Board to adopt the changes to the Pupil Progression Plan:

Mark Quinn seconded the motion.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Ms. Karpinski discussed with the board some proposed updates to the Pupil Progression Plan:

1) Change to who can sign a transcript to include the Chief of Data and the 11-12 Guidance Counselor
2) Change to the uniform 10-point grading scale
3) Grade changes are only allowed in the academic year that the grade was issued Exceptions will only be granted by the SBLC .
4) Starting in 2024 - 2025, any grade of 67% will now be reflected as a 60% on the Rooted School transcript in order to remain aligned with the uniform 10-point grading scale

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Discussion of Progress on U.T.N.O. Negotiations

A. Executive Session

Mark Quinn made a motion for the Board to move to Executive Session:

GeDá Jones Herbert seconded the motion

Motion Passed Unanimously

The board moved to the Executive Session to hold a discussion of:

1) Progress on U.T.N.O. negotiations.

2) The board also discussed proposals to mitigate the potential impact of the recent OPSB finance miscalculation.

GeDá Jones Herbert made a motion for the Board to move back to the public session:

Luca Diaz seconded the motion

Motion Passed Unanimously

V. BOARD ACTION ITEM(S):

A. Vote on proposals to mitigate the potential impact of the OPSB finance miscalculation

M. Quinn made a motion to adopt Proposal 2 as a way to defray the anticipated impact of the NOPS finance miscalculation.
S. Glapion seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
L. Diaz	Aye
G. Jones Herbert	Aye
S. Glapion	Aye
K. Woods	Absent
A. Utley	Aye
M. Quinn	Aye
S. Short	Absent

B. Board Member Term Limits - Consent Agenda Item

L. Diaz made a motion to for the Board to accept Items B - F as a consent agenda.
S. Glapion seconded the motion.
This item is part of the consent agenda.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

A. Utley	Aye
M. Quinn	Aye
L. Diaz	Aye
G. Jones Herbert	Aye
S. Glapion	Aye
S. Short	Absent
K. Woods	Absent

C. SY 2024 Board Bylaws Updates - Consent Agenda Item

L. Diaz made a motion to for the Board to accept Items B - F as a consent agenda.
S. Glapion seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Short	Absent
M. Quinn	Aye
A. Utley	Aye
S. Glapion	Aye
G. Jones Herbert	Aye
K. Woods	Absent
L. Diaz	Aye

D. Approval of New Auditing Firm (Luther Speight) for FY 2024 - 2025 - Consent Agenda Item

L. Diaz made a motion to for the Board to accept Items B - F as a consent agenda.
S. Glapion seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

A. Utley	Aye
S. Glapion	Aye
G. Jones Herbert	Aye
L. Diaz	Aye
K. Woods	Absent
M. Quinn	Aye
S. Short	Absent

E. Updated Faculty & Staff Handbook - Consent Agenda Item

L. Diaz made a motion to for the Board to accept Items B - F as a consent agenda.
S. Glapion seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

L. Diaz	Aye
K. Woods	Absent

Roll Call

S. Glapion	Aye
A. Utley	Aye
M. Quinn	Aye
G. Jones Herbert	Aye
S. Short	Absent

F. Rooted School Salary Schedule - Consent Agenda Item

M. Quinn made a motion to for the Board to accept Items B - F as a consent agenda.
S. Glapion seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Short	Absent
L. Diaz	Aye
G. Jones Herbert	Aye
A. Utley	Aye
K. Woods	Absent
S. Glapion	Aye
M. Quinn	Aye

G. LDOE Certificated & Support Staff Stipend Dispersal FY 2024

L. Diaz made a motion to approve the LDOE Certificated & Support Stipends as proposed by the Rooted School administration.
S. Glapion seconded the motion.
This item is part of the consent agenda.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

K. Woods	Absent
G. Jones Herbert	Aye
S. Glapion	Aye
M. Quinn	Aye
S. Short	Absent
A. Utley	Aye
L. Diaz	Aye

VI. School Leader and Executive Director Report

A. School Leader Report

The Rooted School Leader/Executive Director presented the Q1 - 2024 academic report, including updates on:

- Enrollment
- Attendance

• Academic Progress

VII. PUBLIC FORUM #2:

A. Notes from the Public Forum (If Applicable)

There was no public comment at this meeting.

VIII. 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 7:44 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. Quinn

Documents used during the meeting

None