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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 February 19, 2025 at 5:00 PM

Location
Rooted School
6701 Press Drive
SUNO School of education & Human Development

Rose Room (Tentatively)

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING AND COMMITTEE-of-the-WHOLE MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2025 WILL BE AN IN-PERSON MEETING.

- **THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BEGIN PROMPTLY AT 5:00 PM**
- **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 (tentatively) on the 1st Floor.

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

Directors Present

A. Utley, L. Diaz, M. Quinn, S. Glapion

Directors Absent
None

Ex Officio Members Present
F. Ingargiola, K. Karpinski

Guests Present
Andrew Legrand, Collette Tippy, D. Brown (remote), Dave Cash, Jada Lundy, Mary Phillips

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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 Feb 19, 2025 at 5:38 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

L. Diaz made a motion to approve the minutes from MEETING OF THE ROOTED SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS on 10-30-24.
A. Utley seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

L. Diaz	Aye
S. Glapion	Aye
M. Quinn	Aye
A. Utley	Aye

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 must sign up to comment at the meeting and will be allotted a maximum of three - five minutes to address the board.
- The board will listen, but will 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 during this portion of the meeting.

III. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Mission Moment

Kaitlin spoke of Lionel Green - Class of 2022 and his successes after high school and post-pandemic.

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

Shannon Glapion provided a short overview of the Finance Committee Report.

- There were two financial projections highlighting both a best and worst case scenario.
- December's projection constituted the best case scenario.
- January's projection constituted the worst case scenario [-51% reduction in cash-on-hand]
- Ms. Karpinski has been in discussions with Nyesha Veal about putting a hold on the DLFA reductions.

C. Facility Committee Report

There was no Facility Committee meeting since the previous board meeting.

- Frank Ingargiola did a walk-through of the old Lycee Francais building with Mr. Derrick James of NOPS.
- This site was not viable based on the size of the facility and the current condition of the building.

D. FIRST READING - Board Policy - Immigration Enforcement and Student Rights - 2025

The board was provided a draft version of the proposed ICE policy.

- Ms. Karpinksi included walk-in item that included information for bus drivers.
- This item will be included in the policy and in the packet.
- The board made the suggestion that the SUNO PD review the policy as well.

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

A. Move to Executive Session to Discuss Negotiations and Progress on the CBA

S. Glapion made a motion to move into Executive Session.
L. Diaz seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

A. Utley	Aye
S. Glapion	Aye
M. Quinn	Aye
L. Diaz	Aye

V. BOARD ACTION ITEM(S):

A. Vote on Luther Speight Audit & 990 - Board Approval Vote

- Final 990 Report has not yet submitted to the Board or the school administration.
- No action taken.

B. Review & Approve Budget Amendment(s)

- There are no budget amendments to be advanced at this time.
- This does not preclude the likely need for a future amendment.
- No action taken.

Lucas Diaz made a motion to move back into public session.

Shannon Galpion seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously and the board moved into public session.
Mark Quinn made a motion to table board action items A & B.

Shannon Galpion seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously and the board tabled both items.

VI. School Leader and Executive Director Report

A.

Rooted School's School Leader/Executive Director:

Rooted School's School Leader/Executive Director will present the Q2 2024 academic report, including updates on:

- Enrollment = 157 Students as of 2/19/2025
- Attendance = 94% on Average
- Academic Progress = Discussion of the charter renewal process and progress toward that goal

VII. PUBLIC FORUM #2:

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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 6:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. Quinn

Documents used during the meeting

- December Executive Report.pdf
- December Key Performance Indicators.pdf

- January Executive Summary.pdf
- January Key Performance Indicators.pdf
- REVISED - School Policy on Interactions with Law Enforcement and Immigration Authorities.pdf