

Rooted School - New Orleans

Minutes

Board Action Session [2025 BUDGET APPROVAL] & Board Work Session [Annual Board Retreat]

2025 - 2026 PUBLIC BUDGET REVIEW & APPROVAL & BOARD RETREAT

Date and Time

Friday June 20, 2025 at 9:00 AM

Location

IN PERSON:

Who: Rooted School

Where: SUNO School of Education & Human Development

Room 106

Social Hall

When: Friday June 20, 2025

MEETING NOTIFICATION

Friday June 20, 2025

9:00 AM Central Time

IN PERSON MEETING:

Rooted School

6701 Press Drive

SUNO School of Education & Human Development

ROOM : 106 - SOCIAL HALL

VIRTUAL OPTION:

If you wish to join the meeting virtually:

When: Friday June 20, 2025 9:00 AM Central Time

*You must register in advance for this meeting.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/5lyHeLiSSmOlpt3aOa11rQ>

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 Social Hall (Room 106) on the 1st Floor.

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

Directors Present

L. Diaz, M. Quinn, N. Patrick, S. Glapion

Directors Absent

None

Ex Officio Members Present

F. Ingargiola (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

F. Ingargiola (remote)

Guests Present

A. Legrand, Ashley Dapremont, Dave Cash, 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 Friday Jun 20, 2025 at 9:10 AM.

C. Approve Minutes

M. Quinn made a motion to approve the minutes from MEETING OF THE ROOTED SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS on 04-23-25.

S. Glapion seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

L. Diaz Aye

S. Glapion Aye

N. Patrick Abstain

M. Quinn Aye

II. PUBLIC MEETING PORTION: 2024 - 2025 Budget Amendment & 2025 - 2026 FY Budget Forecast/Approval

A. Nomination of Nikkia Patrick to the Rooted School Board of Directors

L. Diaz made a motion to approve Ms. Nikkia Patrick as a voting member of the Rooted School Board of Directors.

M. Quinn seconded the motion.

Ms. Patrick provided a brief overview of her professional career and what brought her and her son to Rooted School.

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

Roll Call

N. Patrick Abstain

L. Diaz Aye

M. Quinn Aye

S. Glapion Aye

B. FY 2024 - 2025 Budget Amendment

L. Diaz made a motion to approve the budget report.

S. Glapion seconded the motion.

Demetria Brown [EdOps] will present the budget amendment proposal for the FY 2024 - 2025 budget.

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

Roll Call

S. Glapion Aye

L. Diaz Aye

M. Quinn Aye

N. Patrick Aye

C. Public Budget Hearing

S. Glapion made a motion to approve the FY 2025 - 2026 budget as presented by Demetria Brown of EdOps.

L. Diaz seconded the motion.

Demetria Brown [Ed Ops] will present the 2025 - 2026 FY budget forecast.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Glapion Aye
L. Diaz Aye
M. Quinn Aye
N. Patrick Aye

D. First Reading Draft Policy - Rooted School Risk & Threat Assessment Policy

- The Board conducted a review of this policy as part of their pre-work for this meeting.
- The Board will continue to review this policy for the second reading and final vote.

E. First Reading Draft Policy - Title IX Updates

- The Board conducted a review of this policy as part of their pre-work for this meeting.
- The Board will continue to review this policy for the second reading and final vote.

F. First Reading Draft Policy - Communicable Diseases Policy

- The Board conducted a review of this policy as part of their pre-work for this meeting.
- The Board will continue to review this policy for the second reading and final vote.

G. First Reading Draft Policy - Employee & Board Communications Policy

- The Board conducted a review of this policy as part of their pre-work for this meeting.
- The Board will continue to review this policy for the second reading and final vote.

H. 2nd Reading Revised Policy - Rooted School Policy on Interactions with Law Enforcement and Immigration Authorities

M. Quinn made a motion to approve and accept the Rooted School Policy on Interactions with Law Enforcement and Immigration Authorities.

S. Glapion seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

L. Diaz Aye
S. Glapion Aye
N. Patrick Aye
M. Quinn Aye

I.

Luther Speight Auditor

M. Quinn made a motion to approve Luther Speight as Rooted School's auditors for the fiscal year 2025 - 2026.

S. Glapion seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

N. Patrick Aye

S. Glapion Aye

L. Diaz Aye

M. Quinn Aye

III. Public Comment / Questions

A. Public Comment

Our Public Comment period is for members of the public and school community to address the board directly.

Any member of the public wishing to address the board must follow the guidelines below:

1. Sign in prior to the meeting on the ***Public Comment Form*** (available in-person only).
2. Provide your question(s) and/or comment(s) prior to the start of the meeting on the ***Public Comment Form***.
3. The board requests that all comments and/or questions from the public be held to a maximum of three - five minutes.
4. The board secretary will act as the timekeeper.
5. The board will listen, but may not directly respond to any comments/questions during the meeting.
6. Do not use specific student, teacher or administrator names in your comments as our meetings are open to the public and must adhere to *FERPA - Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act*.
7. As such, if your comment is about a private matter, please contact the board via email at mquinn@rootedschool.org

THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENT AT THIS TIME.

IV. Executive Session: UTNO Negotiations Update & Executive Director Annual Evaluation and 2026 Contract

A. Executive Session

The motion was made to move into Executive Session by Mark Quinn to discuss:

- I. The board will move into Executive Session to discuss progress on UTNO negotiations.
- II. The board will move into Executive Session to discuss the SY 2025 - 2026 Executive Director contract.
- III. The board will move into Executive Session to discuss a possible LA Code of Ethics Violation.

The motion was seconded by: Lucas Diaz

The motion passed unanimously and the Board moved into Executive Session.

****Any discussion requiring board action will take place when the board reconvenes in the public session.***

V. BOARD RETREAT

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BOARD RETREAT AGENDA:

- Review of *Board on Track* article, ***Five Reasons To Hold A Board Retreat***
- 2024 - 2025 Year-in-Review
- Reconnecting to the Mission
- 2025 - 2026 Board Goal Setting
- 2025 - 2026 Board Fund Raising Campaign
- 2025 - 2026 Update on the strategic plan
- 2025 - 2026 Board Meeting Calendar
- 2025 - 2026 Proposed Committees and setting of one committee goal
- Discussion of Possible Working Relationship with Rooted Foundation

VI. Public Comment / Questions

A. Public Comment

Dave Cash, U.T.N.O. President, asked a question to which the board and/or a designee will respond at a later date.

Question: Does Rooted include deferred revenue in its budget forecast?

VII. 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 12:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. Quinn

Documents used during the meeting

None

We exist to provide our students personal pathways to financial freedom.