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Rooted School - New Orleans

Minutes

Rooted School Board of Directors: Committee of the Whole

February Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday February 4, 2026 at 5:00 PM

Location
Rooted School @ SUNO
College of Education and Human Development
6701 Press Dr.
New Orleans, LA 70126

MEETING NOTIFICATION
Wednesday, February 4, 2026
5:00 PM 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: **Wednesday, February 4, 2026 @ 5:00 P.M.**

*You must register at least 24 hours in advance for this meeting if you wish to participate virtually. You may contact the Rooted School Main Office at 504-383-4654 or email us at frontoffice@rootedschool.org

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Frank Ingargiola is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.
Topic: Rooted School Board of Directors Meeting
Time: **Wednesday, February 4, 2026 @** 5:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/uUE3X_5PR8u_uSW0mo_fKA

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 2025 - 2026, 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
A. Alexis, H. Campbell, M. Quinn, N. Patrick, S. Glapion

Directors Absent
None

Ex Officio Members Present
F. Ingargiola

Guests Present
Alana Alexis Britt - Rooted School Sophomore, J. Daschbach (remote), K. Karpinski

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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 4, 2026 at 5:11 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

H. Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes from MEETING OF THE ROOTED SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS on 01-14-26.
S. Glapion seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

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

D. There was a walk-in item to discuss the Rooted School New Orleans counter-proposal regarding the recent Rooted School Foundation fundraising proposal.

II. SPECIAL ACTION SESSION ITEM - VOTE ON MS. ASHLEY ALEXIS TO THE ROOTED SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. Vote on Ms. Ashley Alexis to the Rooted School Board of Directors

N. Patrick made a motion to approve Ashley Alexis to the Rooted School Board of Directors as of the 02/04/2026 public meeting.
H. Campbell seconded the motion.
Ms. Patick provided and overview of her mission, vision and passion for public education and for Rooted School.

Ms. Alexis also has a student currently attending Rooted School.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

A. Alexis	Abstain
N. Patrick	Aye
S. Glapion	Aye
M. Quinn	Aye
H. Campbell	Aye

III. PUBLIC MEETING PORTION: WORK SESSION AGENDA ITEMS

A. Rooted School Mission Moment with Ashley Alexis & Alana Britt:

- Alana Britt, Rooted School sophomore, spoke to her experiences at Rooted School and to her support for the mission of financial freedom.
- Ms. Britt discussed her experiences with "The Food Truck Project" and her personal growth regarding this real-world learning experience.
- Alana's mother shared how Rooted School has helped her daughter grow and mature and become more social.

B. Budget & Enrollment Update - Overview of Current 2025 - 2026 and Projected 2026 - 2027 Budget

Joe Daschbach of EdOps presented on:

- Budget update and overview for FY 2025 - 2026
- Update on 70% administrative threshold - (See PPT Attachment)
- Budget amendment - Frank Ingargiola presented on the possibility of a budget amendment:

1. Rooted School counsel was contacted for additional clarity on LA budget amendment regulations.
2. The determination was made that we would review the issue again in March after the 2/1 adjustments to the DLFA distribution.
3. There was no need to a budget amendment at this time.

C. Update on Draft CSAF, Charter Renewal Timeline / Process & Enrollment

Ms. Karpinski, Rooted School Executive Director, will presented on following:

1. Draft Charter School Accountability Framework (CSAF)
2. Charter Renewal Process & Timeline
3. Update on 2026 Current Enrollment
4. Update on 2026 - 2027 Enrollment Targets - Seth Paddock NOPS Meeting

IV. PUBLIC MEETING PORTION: ACTION SESSION AGENDA ITEMS

A. CONSENT AGENDA - BOARD APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS OVER $10,000 THRESHOLD

H. Campbell made a motion to approve those contracts exceeding the $10,000 limit listed in the addendum as per the Rooted School Finance Handbook.
S. Glapion seconded the motion.
The Board will vote to approve all contracts exceeding the Rooted School $10,000 finance policy threshold as part of a consent agenda.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
M. Quinn	Aye
A. Alexis	Aye
S. Glapion	Aye
H. Campbell	Aye
N. Patrick	Aye

B. BOARD INVESTMENT UPDATE & VOTE

A. Alexis made a motion to increase the investment in LAMP by an additional $100,000K.
S. Glapion seconded the motion.
Transaction #2 for FY 2026:

The board was asked to consider investing [additional dollar amount to be determined] in the Louisiana Asset Management Pool (L.A.M.P.)
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

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

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:

A. FOLLOW-UP ON BOARD CONFIGURATION

- Ms. Karpinski discussed the need for 2 additional Board members - Goal 7 Board Members by June.
- More support will be needed from Board members to find our final 2 additional members.

B. FOLLOW-UP ON ENROLLMENT & FUNDRAISING

Ms. Karpinski presented on:

1. Media Spotlights
2. Current Fundraising Efforts

C. FOLLOW-UP ON RESULTS OF NOPS SITE VISITATION / AUDIT

Ms. Karpinski presented on:

1. Follow-up NOPS visit with Seth Paddock
2. Follow-up NOPS visit with Max Deigh

D. FOLLOW-UP ON CHARTER RENEWAL PROCESS

Ms. Karpinski presented on:

1. Challenges facing Rooted with enrollment
2. Breakdown of the pathway to a "B" SPS score - 2026
3. LDOE / NOPS metrics for renewal

VI. 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 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
H. Campbell

Documents used during the meeting

- 2026_01_14_board_meeting_minutes.pdf
- 1E FY2023-2024 70 Percent Instructional Hist Sum NOLA 1E (1).pdf
- ROOT - Monthly Presentation - December 2025_Final.pptx
- Contract List.pdf
- 09.25 - LAMP Newsletter.pdf
- Louisiana Asset Management Pool Inc. (LAMP).pdf
- January_2026_LAMP_Newsletter.pdf

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