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# Rooted School - New Orleans

## Minutes

### MEETING OF THE ROOTED SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This meeting was originally scheduled for 12/10/2025

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#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday January 14, 2026 at 5:00 PM

#### **Location**

SUNO School Of Education Building  
Rooted School @ SUNO  
College of Education and Human Development  
6701 Press Drive  
New Orleans, LA 70126

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**MEETING NOTIFICATION**  
**Wednesday, January 14, 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, January 14, 2026**, at 5:00 PM Central Time

\*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](mailto:frontoffice@rootedschool.org)

Frank Ingargiola is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Rooted School Board of Directors Meeting

Time: **Wednesday, January 14, 2026 @ 5:00 PM** Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86165148169?pwd=c6FWsELV9fWMrHKpzCUeR7K2HmGImF.1>

***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.

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**Directors Present**

H. Campbell, M. Quinn, N. Patrick, S. Glapion

**Directors Absent**

*None*

**Ex Officio Members Present**

F. Ingargiola

**Non Voting Members Present**

F. Ingargiola

**Guests Present**

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 Jan 14, 2026 at 5:11 PM.

**C.**

### **Approve Minutes**

S. Glapion made a motion to approve the minutes from Rooted School Board of Directors: Committee of the Whole on 10-29-25.

N. Patrick seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

M. Quinn Aye

S. Glapion Aye

N. Patrick Aye

H. Campbell Aye

## **II. PUBLIC MEETING PORTION: WORK SESSION AGENDA ITEMS**

### **A. Rooted School Mission Moment with Khloe Cola:**

Junior, Khloe Cola spoke about her Rooted School experience and her work in the NOCC student pre-nursing program.

#### ***HIGHLIGHTS:***

- Spoke about her life experiences that drew her to nursing.
- Discussed how Rooted School helped to ignite a passion for nursing.
- Ms. Cola described a day in the life of a Rooted student with shared academic program responsibilities.

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

Joe Daschbach, School Finance Manager from Ed Ops, presented an overview of the 2025 - 2026 budget [Q2].

#### ***EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:***

- Enrollment as of 10/1 = 137
- The original budget forecast was projected at 155 students.
- Enrollment is down city-wide and state-wide.
- After an additional review, there may be a need to request a Board-approved budget amendment.
- January and February will be spent looking for additional budget savings to offset the projected 180K swing caused by lower enrollment.

### **C. Draft Policies - Second Readings - AI Policy, Parent & Family Engagement Policy and Act 680 Policy**

The draft policies [attached] will be voted on in the action session of this meeting.

### III. PUBLIC MEETING PORTION: ACTION SESSION AGENDA ITEMS

#### A. CONSENT AGENDA - 2nd READING AND ADOPTION OF NEW/REVISED POLICIES

N. Patrick made a motion to approve the following 3 policies via a consent agenda: I. AI Policy II. Parent & Family Engagement Policy III. Act 680 - Given Name Act Policy.

S. Glapion seconded the motion.

##### ***I. AI Policy:***

*The Board voted to approve the policy as written as part of a consent agenda item.*

##### ***II. Parent & Family Engagement Policy:***

- The Board voted to approve the policy as written as part of a consent agenda item.*

##### ***III. Act 680 - Given Name Act Policy:***

- The Board voted to approve the policy as written as part of a consent agenda item.*

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

##### **Roll Call**

N. Patrick Aye

H. Campbell Aye

S. Glapion Aye

M. Quinn Aye

#### B. BOARD INVESTMENT UPDATE & VOTE

Shannon Glapion made a motion to invest \$100,000 in the Louisiana Asset Management Program [LAMP] with Mark acting as the signatory for the application.

The motion was seconded by Nikkia Patrick.

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

### IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:

#### A. FOLLOW-UP ON BOARD CONFIGURATION

Ms. Karpinski discussed:

##### ***ACADEMICS:***

- The SPS formula for assessing schools
- The Rooted School Accountability Scorecard
- The impact of Leap scores on the school's SPS
- The new evaluation bands - Growth vs. Proficiency vs. Thriving

**COMPLIANCE:**

- The need for 2 additional Board members [Charter Compliance]
- NOPS site visitation = 100% compliance

**B. FOLLOW-UP ON ENROLLMENT & FUNDRAISING**

As of 1/14/2026, current enrollment = 139

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

NOPS site visitation = 100% compliance

**D. FOLLOW-UP ON CHARTER RENEWAL PROCESS**

Charter renewal is projected for Fall 2026.

**V. 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,  
M. Quinn

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**Documents used during the meeting**

- ROOT - Monthly Presentation - October 2025\_BoardFinal.pptx
- SECOND READING - AI POLICY.pdf
- SECOND READING - 2026 PAFE POLICY.pdf
- SECOND READING - ACT 680 POLICY.pdf
- SECOND READING - AI POLICY.pdf
- SECOND READING - 2026 PAFE POLICY.pdf
- SECOND READING - ACT 680 POLICY.pdf
- BESE Bulletin 126 Revision - Cash Management and Investments.pdf

- DRAFT - Rooted School Cash Management and Investment Policy.pdf
  - LAMP-Account-Application-Registration-Form.pdf
  - 09.25 - LAMP Newsletter.pdf
  - LAMP Audit.pdf
  - LAMP PPT 1.pdf
  - Q1 2025 LAMP Economic Summary.pdf
  - Louisiana Asset Management Pool Inc. (LAMP).pdf
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