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The Kindezi Schools

The Kindezi Schools Board of Directors

Minutes

SY 26-27 Board Retreat

Date and Time
Monday August 24, 2026 at 5:00 PM

Location
Kindezi O4W
386 Pine St NE
Atlanta, GA 30308

Directors Present
C. Stocker Barnhil, D. Bailey, E. Duncan Watt, R. Cagle, R. Wardlow, S. Westmoreland

Directors Absent
O. Cassanova, S. Cash

Ex Officio Members Present
K. Gunn

Guests Present
N. Wright, S. Echols

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B.

Call the Meeting to Order

D. Bailey called a meeting of the board of directors of The Kindezi Schools Board of Directors to order on Monday Aug 24, 2026 at 5:13 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

C. Stocker Barnhil made a motion to approve the minutes from SY 25-26 Board Meeting on 05-15-26.
D. Bailey seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

D. Consent Agenda

- Approval of the Annual Letter of Assurances
- Admittance of C. Smithers to the Kindezi Board of Directors

II. Community Builder

A. Connect

The Board engaged in "speed dating" to get to know one another more deeply

III. The Kindezi Board Member

A. Review of responsibilities and opportunities for impact

Dr. Kelly Gunn led a discussion regarding director commitments, spaces of opportunity, and stamping goals for SY 26-27.

B. Call to action

Directors reviewed bylaws and discussed the following:

- What is surprising?
- Where are we aligned?
- Where are we out of alignment?
- What are spaces for opportunity?

C. Working task

The board discussed changes in practice that they'd like to implement based on their bylaw review

- Committee annual plan, and executive team calendar that represents the key work of each committee broken down by month. *Note- this should be rooted in purpose and goals

- ED question: What change initiative is the org undertaking that I need the Board to dig in on?
- The Board needs to also drive what they want to hear updates on and partner on
- Agenda items: key updates since the last meeting, annual plan topics, on the horizon-both upcoming priorities AND what do we need to elevate to the full board? (Consent agenda, discussion, fyi)

IV. Development Presentation

A. Review of tools, resources, and alignment to the annual give/get ask

Nakeshia wright reviewed the resources and tools available to the Board to support their work.

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 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
D. Bailey