

*KIPP Detroit Imani Academy  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, October 14, 2025, at 5:00pm*

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**Location:** KIPP Detroit Imani Academy, 19321 W Chicago, Detroit, MI 48228

**Board of Directors**

Name, Role	Present	Not Present
Kirk Mayes, President		X
Jamel Goodloe, Vice President	X	
Cheryl Daniel, Secretary	X	
Angy Webb, Director		X
Michael Beasley, Director	X	

**Non-Board Members Attending**

1. Candace Rogers – KIPP Michigan
2. Marleen Williams – KIPP Michigan
3. Shawn Hurt- Central Michigan University
4. Mark Weinberg- National Charter School Institute
5. Jason Sarsfield- Central Michigan University
6. Ben Mercer- MAST Financial Group (via audio)

All Board members and Non-Board members in attendance participated in person.

**Call to Order**

Jamel Goodloe called the meeting to order at 5:12pm.

**Roll Call & Others Present**

Cheryl Daniel held the roll call.

**Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Cheryl Daniel and seconded by Jamel Goodloe to approve the agenda as proposed.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items**

No comments related to the agenda items from the public.

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Cheryl Daniel and seconded by Michael Beasley to approve the September 9, 2025 meeting minutes as submitted.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

**New Business**

1. Approve Contract Amendment Request Resolution & Questionnaire

Mrs. Rogers shared with the Board that the Contract Amendment Resolution and Questionnaire is required by the KDIA authorizer, Central Michigan University, and approval for the following request is needed:

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- Add grade 4 SY 2026-27
- Add grade 5 SY 2027-28
- Add site change of new location

A motion was made by Cheryl Daniel and seconded by Jamel Goodloe to approve the Contract Amendment Resolution and Questionnaire.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

## 2. Review Draft Audited Financial Statements, A-133 Audit Single Audit, and Other Audit Letters

Candace Rogers shared the draft audit. Noting that the audit currently sits in draft format because KDIA is awaiting a final determination of fines levied from the Michigan Department of Education. KDIA appealed a decision made regarding the amount of the fines and an appeals meeting will be held on October 17, 2025 with the designee of the State Superintendent. The outcome of this meeting will provide more information regarding the determination. After the hearing with the State Superintendent's designee, it will provide indication on if the audit can move from draft to final.

Candace Rogers noted that these fines originate from a credentialing issue [KDIA administrators did not enroll in a certification program within 6 months of their assignment into their role]. The Michigan Department of Education fined KIPP Detroit Imani Academy for failing to meet this requirement. Candace Rogers, KIPP Detroit Imani Academy accountant and legal team are negotiating the matter with the Michigan Department of Education.

The fraction is against the school. Since then Mrs. Rogers and Juelisa Brown have received their School Administrator Certificate. Tiffany Ward is currently enrolled in the LEAD program.

Ben Mercer, present on the Audit Financial Statement covering these areas:

- Audit Opinion (Independent Auditors Report pg. 1)
- Balance sheet highlights (Governmental Funds pg. 12) July & August as the year ends.
- Statement of Revenue, Expenditures & changes in Fund Balance (pag. 13)
- Note to Financial statements (pgs. 16-21)
- Budgetary Comparison (pg.23)
- Net loss comes in worse than anticipated. Final budget FY 25 was presented at the June meeting and was out of the Finance department to make an amendment. July 1 2024-June 30, 2025
- Will be updated once heard back from the appeals committee.

Cheryl Daniel inquired as to the amount of the fine? Mrs. Rogers clarified that the KDIA attorneys are negotiating for a reduction in fines because the State of Michigan only paid a portion of the administrators salaries.

Mr. Goodloe, asked due to this is Mrs. Rogers' first situation, would they take this as a slap on the wrist? Mr. Weinberg, shared that he has seen this happen with previous charters and it's unfortunate, however, this is handled by the Michigan Department of Education and not Central Michigan University or National Charter School Institute.

Mr. Sarsfield, shared with the Board that CMU will not be taking any actions on the matter.

### **Superintendent's Update**

Candace Rogers shared:

- Charter School Growth Fund grant: she will have an update for the Board after the Charter School Growth Fund (CSGF) officially votes in late October of 2025

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- Shared the upcoming school events
- Reviewed academic results [DIBELS & MAP]
- KIPP Michigan hired a Literacy Interventionist and is actively working with students with skill gaps
- State of Michigan approved budget
- Ms. Williams, went over Count Day enrollment and the new students that enrolled after count day.

**Authorizer Update**

Mr. Hurt presents the KIPP Detroit Imani Academy in 100% in-compliance with CMU. The groundbreaking was an exceptional event.

**Extended Public Comment**

Mr. Weinberg, shared with the Board, Mrs. Rogers was the absolute model of the program. Mrs. Rogers Capstone Project in the LEAD Program was to develop administrative guidelines for KIPP Michigan.

Mr. Sarsfield added, thank you to the board for your service and the committee. It has been a pleasure to work with Mrs. Rogers and the team.

Mr. Weinberg and Mr. Sarsfield presented Mrs. Rogers with an award for her commitment and service.

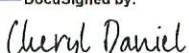
**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Michael Beasley and seconded by Cheryl Daniel to adjourn the meeting.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:09 pm.

**Minutes Certification:**

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted:



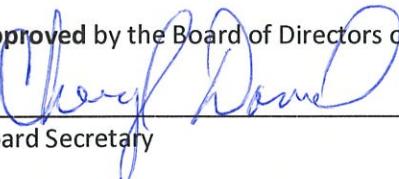
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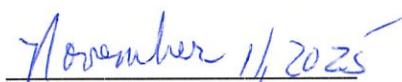
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Date

Approved by the Board of Directors on \_\_\_\_\_.



Board Secretary



Date