



**KIPP Delta Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, January 20, 2015**  
**3:06pm – 6:07pm**

Location: Teach For America, 105 Missouri St., Helena, AR 72342  
Conference Line: 870-228-9000 ext. 9008 password 908

Board Members in Attendance: Darrin Williams, Bill Glaser, Ron Nurnberg, Chalk Mitchell, and Joseph Wood; Cathy Cunningham, Don Frieson, Lisa John Adams, Robin Houseworth, and Baxter Sharp called in.

Staff in Attendance: Scott Shirey, Matt Colburn, Carissa Godwin, Luke Van De Walle, Marcus Nelson, Charity Hallman, Amy Charpentier, Thelma Reed, and Alice Goldsberry.

Others in Attendance: Lucas Hargraves with Hargraves Consulting.

Monica Coleman took notes.

**I. Welcome**

- A. Mrs. Cunningham called the meeting to order at 3:06pm.

**II. KIPP Delta State of the State**

- A. Mr. Shirey shared his presentation on the State of the State, a review of KIPP Delta's progress toward its goals and priorities of academic rigor, student retention, and talent this academic year. Discussion ensued.

**III. Consent Agenda**

- A. Mr. Colburn asked the board to consider KIPP Delta Fiscal Policies and Procedures 2014-2015 v2, which is a revised version, in the Consent Agenda. The item had been sent as an addendum prior to the meeting but was omitted from the published agenda.
- B. Mr. Mitchell, acting in the absence of the chair, accepted the item as a part of the Consent Agenda, given all board members had already had an opportunity to review it.
- C. Motion by Mr. Williams to accept all items in the Consent Agenda seconded by Mrs. Cunningham.
- D. The board unanimously approved the following items:
  - i. October Board Retreat Meeting Minutes
  - ii. Development Committee Jan. 6 Meeting Minutes
  - iii. Governance & Nominating Committee Jan. 6 Meeting Minutes
  - iv. Finance Committee Jan. 15 Meeting Minutes
  - v. Revised Board Chair Succession Plan
  - vi. Revised Policy on Certified and Classified Personnel Benefits
  - vii. KIPP Delta Fiscal Policies and Procedures 2014-2015 v2

**IV. Legislative Updates**

- A. Mr. Hargraves shared his presentation on advocacy efforts for 2015 legislative session, which centered on funding for facilities as the top priority and right of access as second priority. Discussion ensued and the inequity in the funding of public charter schools was noted compared to district schools.

**V. Committee Reports**

- A. Mrs. Godwin shared highlights from the Development Committee report:

- i. Mr. Mitchell accepted the report coming from the Chair.
- B. Mr. Wood shared highlights from the Governance & Nominating Committee report:
  - i. Mr. Mitchell accepted the report coming from the Chair.
- C. Ms. Hallman shared highlights from the Finance Committee report:

**VI. Facilities & Financing Update**

- i. Mr. Colburn presented an update on KIPP Delta facilities and financing and asked for feedback on public relations, moving forward with Beech Crest transaction, and managing current and future debt. He also asked for Board approval to engage the consulting services of Wye River to assess various facility financing strategies.
- ii. Mr. Williams moved to approve the plan agreement and work plan to engage the independent audit firm, and Mrs. Cunningham seconded. Unanimously approved.

**VII. Forrest City Presentation**

- A. Mr. Nelson shared a presentation on his school vision and plan for KIPP Forrest City College Preparatory School. Discussion ensued.

**VIII. Closing**

- A. There being no further business, Mr. Wood moved to adjourn. Mr. Glaser seconded. Unanimously approved at 6:07pm.