



**KIPP ACADEMY LYNN PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL AND
KIPP ACADEMY BOSTON PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
June 8, 2020 | 9:00 a.m.**

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of **KIPP ACADEMY LYNN PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL and KIPP ACADEMY BOSTON PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL** (collectively, the “Schools”) convened remotely at 9:00 a.m. on June 8, 2020 via Zoom, held in compliance with open meeting law, at which a quorum of the Trustees was present.

The following Trustees were present: Amanda Seider, Caleb Dolan, Joel Abramson, Matt Fates, Shenkiat Lim, Stephanie Oliveras, Michael Kendall, Doug Borchard, Paul Ketterer, Tom Beecher, Jennifer Davis, and Luis Gondelles.

The following Trustees were absent: Ivelisse Gonzalez

Additional participants: Annabelle Feliz, Laurie Kennedy, Lovette Curry, Mekka Smith, Stephen Pizzimenti, Nikki Barnes, David Daniel, Shellina Semexant, and John Kalafatas

Seider called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. and presided throughout the meeting. Mekka Smith kept the minutes of the meeting. Seider ascertained that sufficient Trustees were present at the meeting, and that, accordingly, a quorum existed.

1. KIPP MA’s response in service of our mission and vision

After welcoming the Trustees who were present at the meeting, Seider then presented the agenda as follows: (1) KIPP MA’s response in service of our mission and vision.

Dolan opened the meeting by sharing that he originally intended for the upcoming year to be his last year at KIPP, with Nikki Barnes as the successor and next leader. Through further reflection, he identified that it was essential to make the change sooner rather than later. He shared that this is a moment when we can reinvent schools, build on the great work done, and it is clear to him that Nikki has the energy, vision, and imagination necessary to lead that charge. His decision is grounded in a deep hope and belief that we are going to become an even better place to realize the hopes and aspirations of families and students.

Dolan introduced Barnes to share reflections with the board.

Barnes shared that she wants to work at a place where people are warm and demanding. She shared her background experiences as a public school teacher in 1991 and as a KIPP member in 2009.



Barnes shared - Caleb has always opened the door for me to lead, and they have talked about this transition for a time. Barnes noted the successes with KIPP Academy Lynn Elementary, which shows that KIPP students can perform at or above one of the strongest schools in our region (Brooke Charter School), and successes with KIPP Academy Boston such as high retention and diversity among staff. She expressed that she is honored and humbled to take over the helm.

Seider opened up the conversation for questions. Board members expressed their support and asked questions about the next set of steps within the process. They noted the importance of having Nikki interact with staff and families to share her vision with them in the upcoming weeks.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.

List of Documents Used at the Meeting ***(These documents must be retained by the public body, but do not need to be physically stored with the meeting minutes.)***

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Joel Abramson

[Joel Abramson, Secretary]