

Rocketship DC Board of Trustees Meeting (2022-23 Q4) (Wednesday, May 31, 2023)

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1. Opening Items

A. Call to Order

At 9:15am, Ms. Sloter took roll call.

Present: Joey Sloter, Zakiya Sackor, Melissa Martin, Rashida Tyler, Kamuzu Saunders, Rena Johnson, Byron Johnson, Nana Hanson-Hall

Absent: Justin Bakewell, Matt Aaron, Rahman Branch

Additional Attendees: Candice Bobo, Marielys Garcia, Ryan Silver, Sean Floyd, Josephine Ashiara, Damone Jordan, Matt Shaw, Tamika Joyner

2. Consent Items

A. Approve minutes from May 31, 2023 Rocketship DC Board of Trustees meeting

B. Reappoint Jolene Sloter, Justin Bakewell, Melissa Martin, Matt Aaron, Rena Johnson and Zakiya Sackor to the Rocketship DC Board of Trustees through the end of May 2025

C. Appoint Rena Johnson as Chair to the Rocketship DC Board of Trustees for a two-year term through the end of May 2025

D. Appoint Kamuzu Saunders as Treasurer to the Rocketship DC Board of Trustees for a two-year term through the end of May 2025

E. Approve 2023-24 Family Handbooks for Rocketship DC

F. Approve the Rocketship DC Board of Trustees 2023-24 Meeting Calendar

G. Approve the 2023-24 School Instructional Calendar for Rocketship DC Schools

At 9:18am, Ms. Sloter asked for a motion to approve the consent items. This motion was made by Mr. Saunders, seconded by Ms. Martin and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Yes: Joey Sloter, Zakiya Sackor, Melissa Martin, Rashida Tyler, Kamuzu Saunders, Rena Johnson, Byron Johnson, Nana Hanson-Hall

No: ---

Abstain: ---

3. Agenda Items

A. Executive Director Update

At 9:20am, Ms. Bobo shared announcements related to the board, including updates on board recruitment, especially for new members with the following professional experience: real estate, operations and legal. No action was taken.

The board job description was requested to be sent to board members.

B. SY 23-24 Programmatic Shifts

At 9:27pm, the board discussed agenda item 3(B). No action was taken.

C. Achievement Update

At 9:33am, the board discussed agenda item 3(C). No action was taken.

D. Accountability Framework Update

At 9:40m, the board discussed agenda item 3(D). Ms. Tyler, Ms. Martin, Ms. Sackor and Ms. Johnson expressed interest in supporting. No action was taken.

E. Enrollment Update

At 9:47am, the board discussed agenda item 3(E). No action was taken.

F. Finance & Development Update

At 9:58am, the board discussed agenda item 3(F). No action was taken.

G. Approval of the FY24 Budget

At 10:27am, Ms. Sloter asked for a motion to approve the consent items. This motion was made by Mr. Saunders, seconded by Ms. Martin and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Yes: Joey Sloter, Zakiya Sackor, Melissa Martin, Rashida Tyler, Kamuzu Saunders, Rena Johnson, Byron Johnson, Nana Hanson-Hall

No: ---

Abstain: ---

H. Rocketship Infinity Community Prep Update

At 10:39am, the board discussed agenda item 3(H). No action was taken.

I. Network Strategic Planning

At 11:00am, the board discussed agenda item 3(I). No action was taken.

J. Regional Annual Planning Update

At 11:07am, the board discussed agenda item 3(J). No action was taken.

4. Closed Session

A. Train and Develop Members of the Board pursuant to DC Code § 2-575(b)(12)

B. Personnel Discussion pursuant to DC Code § 2-575(b)(10)

At 11:21am, Ms. Sloter asked for a motion to move to Closed Session. The motion was made by Mr. Saunders, seconded by Ms. Martin, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Joey Sloter, Zakiya Sackor, Melissa Martin, Rashida Tyler, Kamuzu Saunders, Rena Johnson, Byron Johnson, Nana Hanson-Hall

N: ---

Abstain: ---

5. Agenda Items (Contd.)

A. Public report on actions taken in closed session

At 11:50am, Ms. Sloter took roll call. With a quorum of committee members present, Ms. Sloter called the open session meeting back to order.

Present: Joey Sloter, Zakiya Sackor, Melissa Martin, Kamuzu Saunders, Rena Johnson, Byron Johnson, Nana Hanson-Hall

At 11:51am, Ms. Sloter reported that no actions were taken on items 4(A) and 4(B) during the closed session.

6. Adjourn

At 11:53am, Ms. Sloter asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. This motion was made by Mr. Saunders, seconded by Ms. Martin, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Joey Sloter, Zakiya Sackor, Melissa Martin, Kamuzu Saunders, Rena Johnson, Byron Johnson, Nana Hanson-Hall

N: ---

Abstain: ---