

**Rockford Charter School Organization Special Board Meeting Minutes
April 2, 2025
4:30 p.m.
Jackson Charter School, 315 Summit Street, Rockford, IL 61107
In-Person Meeting**

1. Call to Order – at 4:35 p.m.
 - a. Present: Carla Redd, La’Keshia Wingo, Erika Hannah, Tamir Bell, William Cunningham, Anisha Grimmertt (entered at 4:45 p.m.), Attorney Roxanne Sosnowski
2. Approval of Agenda
 - a. A motion to approve the agenda was made by La’Keshia Wingo and seconded by William Cunningham.
 - i. Voice Vote: All members voting aye.
 - ii. Motion passed.
3. Public Comment – None.
4. Old Business
 - a. Discussion of Audit Report by Sikich, LLP
 - i. Attorney Roxanne Sosnowski informed the Board that the final audit was submitted to the Federal Clearinghouse and to GATA.
 - ii. Regarding the Corrective Action Plan, Attorney Sosnowski explained that it was indicated in the Corrective Action Plan that the Board President would take steps to address the segregation of duties finding. Attorney Sosnowski informed the Board that regarding the second material finding and the fraud, the decision was made that the Board President, Board Counsel, and Principal will be the responsible parties to the second material finding. She explained that language was drafted in which going forward, administrator contracts are going to be drafted by the Board Counsel and submitted to the Board President. These contracts will be presented to two individuals rather than one. Attorney Sosnowski stated that a member of the Board will be present at the meetings in which administrator contracts are presented. She explained that it was also noted in the Corrective Action Plan answer that the school is undertaking reviewing different options for finance going forward.
5. Executive Session – (if needed)
 - a. Personnel - Go into Closed Session to Review Closed Session Minutes and to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.

- i. A motion to enter executive session was made by Carla Redd and seconded by La’Keshia Wingo.
 1. Roll Call Vote:
 - a. Tamir Bell – Aye.
 - b. Erika Hannah – Aye.
 - c. William Cunningham – Aye.
 - d. La’Keshia Wingo – Aye.
 - e. Carla Redd – Aye.
 2. All ayes. Motion passed. Entered executive session at 4:41 p.m.
 3. Anisha Grimmiett entered the meeting at 4:45 p.m.
 - ii. A motion was made to exit executive session by Tamir Bell and seconded by Carla Redd.
 1. Roll Call Vote:
 - a. Tamir Bell – Aye.
 - b. Erika Hannah – Aye.
 - c. William – Aye.
 - d. La’Keshia Wingo – Aye.
 - e. Carla Redd – Aye.
 2. All ayes. Motion passed. Exited executive session at 5:22 p.m.
6. Discuss/Approve Employment Contract with Dr. Ebony Wrenn for the position of Principal
 - a. A motion to lay over the Discussion/Approval of the Employment Contract with Dr. Ebony Wrenn for the position of Principal was made by Erika Hannah and seconded by Anisha Grimmiett.
 - i. Voice Vote: All members voting aye.
 - ii. Motion passed.
7. The Board came to a consensus to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for financial services, with the RFP being issued April 7th and returnable April 10th.
8. Adjournment
 - a. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Carla Redd and seconded by La’Keshia Wingo.
 - i. Voice Vote: All members voting aye.
 - ii. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: April 17, 2025, at 11:30 a.m. (Meeting will be held in-person at Jackson Charter School, 315 Summit Street, Rockford, IL 61107)