

The Genesee Community Charter School at RMSC
Board of Trustees & Education Governance Council Meeting

GCCS @RMSC CAMPUS: Meeting Minutes

August 23, 2025 | 12pm

Rochester Economic Development Corp 275 Lake Ave. Rochester NY 14608

GCCS at RMSC Board Members: Colin Orr, Kendra Cadogan, Maria Oliver, Ben Clarke, Kiersten Shinrock-Blankley, Betsy Serapilio

Board Members Present: Colin Orr, Kendra Cadogan, Maria Oliver, Ben Clarke, *Kiersten Shinrock-Blankley

Board Members Absent: Betsy Serapilio

Board Vacancies: RMSC Representative (1), Community Representative (2)

Educational Governance Council Members: Kemouy Bhalai, Allison Carlson, Magaly Rosario, Christine Farrell

Present: Magaly Rosario

Absent: Kemouy Bhalai, Allison Carlson, Christine Farrell

Guests:

- Teresa Zappia-Sinicropi, *Flour City BOT, potential GCCS @ RMSC board member*
- Lindsay Tarnoff, *Flour City BOT*
- Andre Dixon, *potential board member*

Legal Counsel Present: None

Legal Counsel Absent: Kirsten Barclay

NOTE: * indicates that person participated remotely via ZOOM; names in **BOLD** are eligible to vote

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

1. Welcome, Welcome Guests, Call to Order, Roll Call (Greeting), Review Meeting Logistics, Agenda Review & Approval

- Welcome & Welcome Guests
- Call to Order: Colin Orr called the meeting to order at 12:38 pm.
- Roll Call & Greeting - A quorum is present.
- Review Meeting Logistics
- Agenda Review & Approval:

Motion 20250823.1

Upon motion of Colin Orr, and duly seconded by Kendra Cadogan, RESOLVED, that the August 23, 2025 Agenda for the GCCS at RMSC meeting of the Board of Trustees be approved.

Voting in the affirmative: Colin Orr, Kendra Cadogan, Maria Oliver, Ben Clarke

Voting in the negative: none

Abstaining: none

Motion 20250823.1 Passed: 4 to 0

2. Review & Approve Minutes

The Board reviewed and approved the minutes from the meetings in the last month.

Motion 20250823.2

Upon motion of Colin Orr, and duly seconded by Ben Clarke, RESOLVED, that the Meeting Minutes from the July 23, 2025 GCCS at RMSC Board of Trustees Meeting be approved.

Voting in the affirmative: Colin Orr, Kendra Cadogan, Maria Oliver, Ben Clarke

Voting in the negative: none

Abstaining: none

Motion 20250823.2 Passed: 4 to 0

OPEN FORUM

Future Agenda Topics/and or Public Comment

None

Executive Director Updates

Magaly shared enrollment updates: GCCS @ RMCS is fully enrolled (228) for the upcoming year. She noted her gratitude to the staff that worked throughout the summer to make this happen.

Committee Updates

- a. **Finance Committee - Financial Review & Updates - Magaly Rosario**
Audit (Hevron) is in progress and going well and a full report is expected in October.

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

3. New Hires:

Motion 20250823.3

Upon Motion of Colin Orr, and duly seconded by Maria Oliver RESOLVED to approve Rachel Harnish as a full-time (1.0 FTE), 10 month administrative specialist position for the 2025-2026 school year at the annual salary of \$35,000.00.

Voting in the affirmative: Colin Orr, Kendra Cadogan, Maria Oliver, Ben Clarke

Voting in the negative: None

Abstaining: None

Motion 20250823.3 Passed: 4 to 0

Motion 20250823.4

Upon Motion of Colin Orr, and duly seconded by Ben Clarke RESOLVED to approve Makenzie Hufnagle as a full-time (1.0 FTE), 10 month classroom teacher position for the 2025-2026 school year at the annual salary of \$48,743.00.

Voting in the affirmative: Colin Orr, Kendra Cadogan, Maria Oliver, Ben Clarke

Voting in the negative: None

Abstaining: None

Motion 20250823.4 Passed: 4 to 0

4. i-Ready Contract

Curriculum Associates has presented a service contract that includes iReady, Toolbox, and iReady Partners Services for the upcoming 2025-2026 school year. This is used by all classrooms throughout the academic year and serves an important role in data-driven instructional practices.

Motion 20250823.5

Upon motion of Colin Orr, and duly seconded by Ben Clarke, RESOLVED, the contract with Curriculum Associates for the 2025-2026 school year to be approved for \$17,349.50.

Voting in the affirmative: Colin Orr, Kendra Cadogan, Maria Oliver, Ben Clarke

Voting in the negative: none

Abstaining: none

Motion 20250823.5 Passed: 4 to 0

5. Distraction-Free Schools Policy

Discussion was had amongst the Board regarding the Distraction-Free Schools Policy and what it will look like for GCCS students.

Motion 20250823.6

Upon motion of Colin Orr, and duly seconded by Ben Clarke, RESOLVED, that the Distraction-Free schools policy be approved for the 2025-2026 school year.

Voting in the affirmative: Colin Orr, Kendra Cadogan, Maria Oliver, Ben Clarke

Voting in the negative: none

Abstaining: none

Motion 20250823.6 Passed: 4 to 0

6. NYSED Financial Disclosure Form

Board members need to complete the annual NYSED Financial Disclosure Form and return it to Magaly ASAP.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

MEETING WRAP-UP

6. Review Actions & Agreements, Confirm Meeting Dates

Action Items/Reminders

- Next meeting date: Wednesday, September 24, 2025 | 5:30 - 7:30pm

Adjournment:

Motion 20250823.7

Upon Motion of Colin Orr, and duly seconded by Kendra Cadogan, RESOLVED that this meeting of the GCCS at RMSC Board of Trustees be adjourned at 12:56pm.

Voting in the affirmative: Colin Orr, Kendra Cadogan, Maria Oliver, Ben Clarke

Voting in the negative: none

Abstaining: None

Motion 20250823.7 Passed: 4 to 0

Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa Zappia-Sinicropi

Secretary of GCCS at RMSC Board of Trustees (pending NYSED approval)