

**Genesee Community Charter School  
Board of Trustees & Education Governance Council Meeting**

**GCCS @ RMSC: Meeting Minutes**

**December 17, 2025 | 5:30pm**

Flour City Campus, 1100 South Goodman St., Rochester 14620

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**GCCS at RMSC Board Members (6):** Kendra Cadogan, Ben Clarke, Maria Oliver, Colin Orr, Betsy Serapilio, Kiersten Shinrock-Blankley

**Board Members Present (5):** Kendra Cadogan, Ben Clarke, Maria Oliver, Colin Orr, Betsy Serapilio

**Board Members Absent:** None

\*Kiersten Shinrock-Blankley joined the meeting via Zoom at 5:59pm.

Ben Clarke left the meeting at 6:20pm

Kendra Cadogan joined the meeting at 6:43pm.

**Board Vacancies:** None

**Educational Governance Council Members:** Magaly Rosario, Emily Volpe, Kemouy Bhalai

**Present:** Magaly Rosario, Emily Volpe, Kemouy Bhalai

**Absent:** None

**Guests:**

- Maureen Milke, GCCS Director of Operations
- Chris Dolgos, GCCS Director of Curriculum
- Teresa Zappia-Sinicropi, Flour City BOT, potential GCCS @ RMSC board member
- Steve von Berg - potential GCCS Flour City and GCCS @RMSC board member
- Lyndsay Compitello - potential GCCS @RMSC board member
- Emily Reiss, GCCS Flour City parent
- \*Carolyn Anderson, GCCS RMSC parent, Family Association co-president

**Legal Counsel Present:** None

**Legal Counsel Absent:** Kirsten Barclay

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

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**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

**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 5:50 pm.
- Roll Call & Greeting - A quorum is present.
- Review Meeting Logistics
- Agenda Review & Approval:

**Motion 20251217.1**

Upon motion of Colin Orr, and duly seconded by BenClarke, RESOLVED, that the December 17, 2025 Agenda for the GCCS @ RMSC meeting of the Board of Trustees be approved.

**Voting in the affirmative:** Ben Clarke, Maria Oliver, Colin Orr, Betsy Serapilio

**Voting in the negative:** none

**Abstaining:** none

**Motion 20251217.1 Passed:** 4 to 0

**Review & Approve Minutes**

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

### **Motion 20251217.2**

Upon motion of Colin Orr, and duly seconded by BetsySerapilio, RESOLVED, that the Meeting Minutes from the November 19, 2025 GCCS @ RMSC Board of Trustees Meeting be approved.

**Voting in the affirmative:** Ben Clarke, Maria Oliver, Colin Orr, Betsy Serapilio

**Voting in the negative:** none

**Abstaining:** none

**Motion 20251217.2 Passed:** 4 to 0

## **OPEN FORUM**

### **Future Agenda Topics/and or Public Comment**

Emily Reiss, Flour City parent - Shared comments regarding food service strategy based on the changes in funding and scope of needs. She offered to support the schools needs based on her professional experiences and connections

### **Committee Updates**

- Finance Committee - *Maria Oliver*
  - Cash flow is tight due to timing of district payments; Government funds have started again since the shutdown
- Governance - NA
- Personnel - *Colin Orr, Magaly Rosario*
  - Communication to staff regarding the paid leave policies (including the medical bank) occurred on 12/17/25.
- Education - *Betsy Serapilio*
  - Consulted with a regional expert regarding MTSS; Designing a professional development opportunity for staff to connect existing school systems regarding cultural competency
- Community Engagement: *Teresa Zappia-Sinicropi*
  - United Way Roc the Day raised \$1,168.00
  - 25th Anniversary Gala - Save the Date: May 30th or 31st; Venue/date to be confirmed in early January; Committee to plan with stakeholder input

### **Executive Director Updates - *Magaly Rosario***

Magaly shared information regarding enrollment, attendance, and discipline data.

- Enrollment: Enrollment has been consistent, but some movement is expected over the next month due to families moving; Will continue with rolling enrollment throughout the year (versus cutting off enrollment at a certain month)
- Enrollment is currently open via GoodSchoolsRoc; Recruitment efforts will continue throughout the winter/spring; Offering regular tours of the school
- 8% chronic absenteeism, but absences due to illness have increased over the last month
- Discipline data: 2 out of school suspensions for December
- Parent Teacher Conferences were a success; Teachers went above and beyond to schedule meeting with families
- Winter Exhibitions are scheduled for the Week of February 2nd
- iReady Winter diagnostic window opens January 12th and will be reported at the February Board meeting
- Planning on offering after school prep for NYS exams
- Celebrations: 6th grade organized haircuts for students, Reflections from SUNY Geneseo students

## **OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**

None

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

## NEW BUSINESS

- Boston Trip - Chris Dolgos presented the quotes for the 4th and 5th grade Boston Trip. Families will pay 80%, but deposits for transportation, accommodations, and events will need to be made prior to the final family deposits due date.

### **Motion 20251217.3**

Upon motion of Colin Orr, and duly seconded by Maria Oliver, RESOLVED, that the quotes from the Boston Field Study be approved not exceeding the amount of \$35,000.

**Voting in the affirmative:** Ben Clarke, Maria Oliver, Colin Orr, Betsy Serapilio

**Voting in the negative:** none

**Abstaining:** none

**Motion 20251217.3 Passed:** 4 to 0

## MEETING WRAP-UP

### Review Actions & Agreements, Confirm Meeting Dates

#### Action Items/Reminders

- Next meeting date: Wednesday, January 28, 2025 | 5:30 - 7:30pm at GCCS @ RMSC

#### Adjournment:

### **Motion 20251217.4**

Upon Motion of Colin Orr, and duly seconded by Kendra Cadogan, RESOLVED that this meeting of the GCCS @ RMSC Board of Trustees be adjourned at 7:10pm.

**Voting in the affirmative:** Kendra Cadogan, Maria Oliver, Colin Orr, Betsy Serapilio

**Voting in the negative:** none

**Abstaining:** None

**Motion 20251217.4 Passed:** 4 to 0

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Respectfully Submitted,

Teresa Zappia-Sinicropi

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