



# KIPP DELTA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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KIPP Delta, Inc.

## Minutes of the Board of Director's Meeting

**Date:** April 19, 2011  
**Time:** 5:00 p.m.  
**Place:** KIPP Delta Public Schools  
Helena, AR  
**Attendance:** Chalk Mitchell, Scott Shirey, Chris Allen, Andre Valley, Matt Colburn, Amanda Johnson, Luke VanDeWalle, Jemar Tisby, and Anika Baltimore were present. Sam Commella, Brent Black, Ron Nurnberg, Randy Zook, and Stacy Sells attended via video conference and conference call. Meg Salta took minutes.

### I. Introduction

Mr. Chalk Mitchell called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

### II. Consent Agenda

#### A. Minutes from October Board Meeting

Mr. Chalk Mitchell asked that the minutes from January meeting be reviewed. Mrs. Chris Allen motioned to approve January meeting minutes, Mr. Ron Nurnberg seconds. Unanimous.

### III. Board Chair Report

No formal report given. Mr. Chalk Mitchell announced he will have a formal report after attending the KIPP School Leader and Board Summit in Aspen, Colorado next week.

### IV. Executive Director Report

Mr. Scott Shirey provided a power point presentation to the board which reviewed six basic questions that KIPP National is asking all

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of its schools. The presentation included data from the KIPP Delta District. The presentation showed what KIPP Delta is doing well and items that should be improved upon.

Presentations of data will be shown at quarterly board meetings. Mr. Chalk Mitchell asked that the Executive Director Report be accepted. Mr. Andre Valley motioned to approve the Executive Director Report, Mrs. Chris Allen seconds. Unanimous.

V. Governance and Nominating Committee Report

Mrs. Chris Allen presented the Governance and Nominating Committee report to the board. The commitment to excellence form for board members was presented to the board which was created with the help of Mr. Mike Wright from KIPP National. The commitment form is similar to the commitment teachers and staff, students, and parents at KIPP Delta sign before joining the team.

Mr. Chalk Mitchell motioned to accept the commitment to excellence form for board members. Mrs. Chris Allen seconds. Unanimous.

Mrs. Chris Allen also presented KIPP Delta's Five Year Strategic Goals briefly because information was covered in Mr. Scott Shirey's presentation. Mrs. Chris Allen motioned to approve KIPP Delta's Five Year Strategic Goals, Mr. Ron Nurnberg seconds. Unanimous.

VI. Finance Committee Report

Mr. Brent Black presented the Finance Committee Report to the board. KIPP Delta is executing the budget and will end on school budgets. Cash on hand is \$1.26MM and we are expected to end the fiscal year with a strong cash position of \$1.206MM which is right on budget.

The Finance Committee will need to take action on the 2011-2012 budget and continue to review and suggest changes for committee approval for the July board meeting.

Mr. Chalk Mitchell motioned to approve the finance committee report. Mr. Randy Zook seconds. Unanimous.

Mr. Matt Colburn asked the board to approve the use of \$250,000 dollars on facility funding for the development of the Blytheville Elementary School. Mr. Chalk Mitchell motioned to approve Mr. Matt Colburn to spend up to \$300,000 and \$12,500 per acre for land in Blytheville. Mrs. Chris Allen seconds. Unanimous.

VII. Development Committee Report

Mr. Scott Shirey presented the Development Committee Report because Mrs. Ginny Blankenship is out on maternity leave. KIPP Delta has received funding from Walton Family Foundation and has recently received \$100K over two years for the arts program from Wingate Family Foundation. KIPP has also received \$1,000.00 from the Phillips County Community Foundation and has submitted grants \$25K and \$5K recently. Donation History fiscal year to date is about \$961K.

Mr. Chalk Mitchell motioned to approve the Development Committee Report. Mr. Ron Nurnberg seconds. Unanimous.

VIII. Action Items

No action items at this time.

IX. Board Discussion

No other discussions needed at this time.

X. Other Topics of Discussion

Mr. Sam Commella asked how Kameron Chattman was doing in school since he was allowed to return to KIPP Delta Collegiate High

School. Mr. Luke VanDeWalle reported he was better in classes and with teachers. He also has become a leader for his grade and peer group.

XI. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Chalk Mitchell moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Andre Valley motioned and Mrs. Chris Allen seconds. The meeting was adjourned at 6:27pm.

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Chalk Mitchell,  
Board President

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Scott Shirey,  
Executive Director