

## **KEYS GRACE ACADEMY**

### **Minutes of the Regular Meeting and Organizational Meeting of the Board of Directors held on Thursday July 30, 2026**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of KEYS Grace Academy (“KEYS”) was held at KEYS Grace Academy at 3:00 pm.

The following members of the Board (the “Attending Members”) attended the meeting and were present throughout:

Dr. Ramy Alosachie  
Edward Bajoka  
Hillary Sesi  
Ashley Redding

Absent with Notice: Zainab Hazimi

Also present for the entire meeting: Nathan Kalasho-KEYS Director

#### **Call to order: Roll Call; Confirmation of Quorum; Waiver of Notice**

Dr. Alosachie called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm and roll call was taken.

#### **Approval of Agenda and Meeting Minutes from Previous Board Meetings**

Motion by Mr. Bajoka to amend the Agenda to include approval of the minutes from the June 25th Special Meeting, the motion was seconded by Ms. Redding. The amendment was unanimously approved by the Attending Members.

Motion by Mr. Bajoka to approve the amended Agenda and the minutes from the June 25th Special Meeting and the June 30th Regular Meeting, the motion was seconded by Ms. Redding. The amended agenda for the meeting and the minutes from June 25th and June 30th were unanimously approved by the Attending Members.

#### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment

#### **Election of Officers**

Dr. Alosachie, as temporary chairperson, designated Mr. Kalasho as secretary to perform roll call. Roll Call was performed. Nominations for board president, vice president, board treasurer, board secretary and board trustee were all heard and voted on, with the following positions confirmed by unanimous vote:

President: Dr. Ramy Alosachie  
Vice President: Zainab Hazimi  
Treasurer: Edward Bajoka  
Secretary: Hillary Sesi

Trustee: Ashley Redding

## **Management Report**

### **1. Business Update –**

- a. Presented the board with the latest Business Update.
  - i. Building and Grounds Update – Reviewed summer maintenance items, facility improvements, and readiness for the start of the school year.
  - ii. Food Service – Summer meal program participation reviewed. Preparations underway for the 2026-2027 school year meal program.
  - iii. Playground – Update on playground project scope, timeline, and next steps.

### **2. Budget Update --**

- a. FY 2027 School Aid Budget Update
  - i. Weighted Formula – Discussed the new weighted funding formula included in the FY 2027 School Aid Budget and projected impact on the Academy.
- b. FY 2027 Consolidated Application Allocations – Reviewed federal program allocations for the coming year.

### **3. Personnel Report**

- a. Presented board with the personnel report.
  - i. Hires: Jennifer McCann (building sub), Madeline Greenwalt (paraprofessional), Naqaa Qaddoori (paraprofessional).
  - ii. Resignations: Rehka Sankar, Alexa Balgenorth.

### **4. Enrollment Update**

- a. Current enrollment stands at 532 in MISTAR. Total projected enrollment approximately 540 for the 2026-2027 school year.

## **Information Items**

### **1. Beginning of Year information**

- a. PL Week – Focus areas include MTSS/Intervention, Emergency Plan with Fortis, Positive You meeting, Coaching Cycles, Curipod platform training, and new school protocols (HR).
- b. First Day of School – Welcome back assembly and 1:30 dismissal.
- c. Teacher Placement – Mr. Fowler moves to fifth grade. Katie Alexiou moves to Reading Specialist. Currently recruiting for two middle school science teachers and one interventionist.
- d. Other Events – No upcoming events scheduled in August.

### **2. Summer School Update**

- a. Summer school ended July 10th. It was a successful session with average daily attendance of 85% out of 208 students.

### **3. Consolidated Application**

- a. Update on Consolidated Application submission status and allocations.

#### **4. Curriculum Purchases**

- a. i-Ready subscription renewal and textbooks – quotes reviewed
- b. Curipod platform (new) – approximately \$5,000.

#### **5. DC Trip**

- a. March 27 Washington DC Trip. Details consistent with prior year: 3 days, 2 nights, 30 students, 4 chaperones. Estimated cost approximately \$28,000.

#### **Action Items**

Mr. Bajoka motioned, Ms. Sesi seconded, and the board unanimously approved the following Action Item:

- 1. Resolution Appointing McKinney-Vento Homeless Liaison as Katie Bakerjian

Mr. Bajoka motioned, Ms. Redding seconded, and the board unanimously approved the following Action Item:

- 2. Resolution Appointing Freedom of Information Act Coordinator as Zena Najor

Mr. Bajoka motioned, Ms. Redding seconded, and the board unanimously approved the following Action Item:

- 3. Resolution Appointing Civil Rights Representative as Lindsay Makidon

Mr. Bajoka motioned, Ms. Redding seconded, and the board unanimously approved the following Action Item:

- 4. Resolution Appointing Title IX Representative as Zena Najor

Mr. Bajoka motioned, Ms. Redding seconded, and the board unanimously approved the following Action Item:

- 5. Resolution Appointing Crisis Management Liaison as Revas Killu

Mr. Bajoka motioned, Ms. Sesi seconded, and the board unanimously approved the following Action Item:

- 6. Resolution Appointing Title I Representative as Lindsay Makidon

#### **New Business**

Ms. Sesi motioned, Ms. Redding seconded, and the board unanimously approved the following Action Item:

- 1. Monthly Financials

Ms. Sesi motioned, Ms. Redding seconded, and the board unanimously approved the following Action Item:

- 2. Personnel Report

Ms. Sesi motioned, Ms. Redding seconded, and the board unanimously approved the following Action Item:

3. Washington DC 8th Grade Trip

Ms. Sesi motioned, Ms. Redding seconded, and the board unanimously approved the following Action Item:

4. i-Ready Curriculum Renewal

Ms. Sesi motioned, Ms. Redding seconded, and the board unanimously approved the following Action Item:

5. i-Ready Diagnostic and Toolbox Renewal

Ms. Sesi motioned, Ms. Redding seconded, and the board unanimously approved the following Action Item:

6. Classroom Furniture

**Extended Public Comment**

During the course of the meeting, there was no public comment.

**Comments from the Board**

Dr. Alosachie – Thanked staff for a successful summer program and welcomed the new hires. Wished everyone a strong start to the year.

Mr. Bajoka – Appreciated the thorough personnel and enrollment updates. Excited about the Curipod platform and the DC trip planning.

Ms. Sesi – Thanked the team for the summer school results and welcomed the new hires to the KEYS family.

Ms. Redding – Great to see the strong enrollment numbers heading into the year and appreciated the update on the weighted funding formula.

**Future Meetings and Adjournment**

The next meeting is scheduled for August 26, 2026.

Dr. Alosachie moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:10 p.m. and Ms. Redding seconded the motion, which the Attending Members unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Hillary Sesi  
Secretary