

IDEA Public Schools
IDEA Greater Cincinnati Board of Directors Meeting
October 16, 2025
2:00 PM EST

Board Members present: Dwight Young, Deon Mack, Timothy Fogarty, Cynthia Geer

Non-voting Board Members present: Deb Howard and Kristi Phillips

Board Members not present: Marquicia Jones-Woods and Jorge Perez

Staff, Legal Counsel and Consultants present: Matt Robinson, Adam Miller, Talor Porter, Steven Villafuerte, Adam Schira, Christina Porter, Theda Thompson, Megan Goosen, Celeste Farmer

Audience present: None

Call to Order

The meeting is called to order by Dwight Young, Board President, at 2:01 pm EST

Amendment of Agenda

The Board passed a motion to amend the agenda to include

Approval of Amended Agenda

The Board passed a motion to approve the amended board agenda for the meeting.

Motion made by: Timothy Fogarty
Second to motion: Deon Mack
All in favor: All present
All Opposed: None present
Motion carries.

Approval of Minutes

The Board passed a motion to approve the minutes from the July 24, 2025, Board Meeting.

Motion made by: Cynthia Geer
Second to motion: Tim Fogarty
All in favor: All present
All Opposed: None present
Motion carries.

Public Comment

None

Updates

A. Executive Director Report

- a. Matt Robinson, Executive Director, provided the Executive Director's report, including:
 - 1. Start with the Heart presentation
 - 2. Staffing Update
 - 3. Academics Update
 - 4. Enrollment Updates

B. Financial Updates

- a. Celeste Farmer, Treasurer, provided an overview and update on the financial status for IDEA Greater Cincinnati, Inc. (School), presenting the June 2025 Financial Reports, and a funding update.
- b. Steven Villafuerte, Director of Finance, presented the Overall Financial Status for IPS Enterprises, Inc.

C. Compliance Updates

- a. Matt Robinson, Executive Director, and Adam Schira, legal counsel, presented compliance updates for the following items:
 - a. 25-26 Related Party Disclosure Form
 - b. Affidavit of Compliance regarding Criminal Background Checks
 - c. Review of Wellness Policy
 - d. Virtual Meeting Policy
 - e. Facilities Use Agreement

D. Fordham Updates:

- a. Theda Thompson from Fordham shared updates from Fordham's August and October Sponsorship newsletter and their monthly financial review.

Action Items:

- A. The Board passed a motion to approve and authorize the creation of a STAR Ohio account and authorize the Treasurer and/or any Director to take any action reasonably necessary to carry out such creation on the Board's behalf.

Motion made by: Tim Fogarty
Second to motion: Deon Mack
All in favor: All
All Opposed: None
Motion carries.

- B. The Board passed a motion to approve the Financial Statements for June, July and August 2025 as presented by the Treasurer.

Motion made by: Deon Mack
Second to motion: Cynthia Geer
All in favor: All
All Opposed: None

Motion carries.

- C. The Board passed a motion to approve the October Budget as presented.

Motion made by: Deon Mack
Second to motion: Cynthia Geer
All in favor: All
All Opposed: None
Motion carries.

- D. The Board passed a motion to approve the 5-year Forecast as presented.

Motion made by: Tim Fogarty
Second to motion: Cynthia Geer
All in favor: All
All Opposed: None
Motion carries.

- E. The Board passed a motion to approve the Wellness Policy as presented.

Motion made by: Deon Mack
Second to motion: Cynthia Geer
All in favor: All
All Opposed: None
Motion carries.

- F. The Board passed a motion to approve the Virtual Meeting Policy as presented.

Motion made by: Deon Mack
Second to motion: Tim Fogarty
All in favor: All
All Opposed: None
Motion carries.

- G. The Board passed a motion to approve the Facilities Use Agreement in its substantial form pending legal review, and authorizing any Director to finalize through legal counsel sign on behalf of the Board. Board President, Dr. Dwight Young, recused himself from any discussion and action on this item. The remaining board members passed motion to approve the agreement as presented.

Motion made by: Cynthia Geer
Second to motion: Tim Fogarty
All in favor: All
All Opposed: None
Motion carries.

Consent Agenda:

The Board passed a motion to approve the consent agenda in one board action.

- A. Related Parties Disclosure Form
- B. Affidavit of Compliance regarding Criminal Background Checks
- C. ODNR Grant Resolution
- D. Contracts:
 - A. ParentSquare
 - B. Parallel Learning
 - C. Preferred Healthcare
 - D. Delta-T Group
 - E. CBiz
 - F. Mangen and Associates
 - G. Amergis
 - H. Aya Healthcare
 - I. Aegis
 - J. Edmentum
 - K. Eight Eleven
 - L. Junction of Function
 - M. PSI Associates
 - N. Netsync
 - O. Asset Works
 - P. Assure Hire
 - Q. DocuSign

Motion made by: Deon Mack
Second to motion: Cynthia Geer
All in favor: All
All Opposed: None
Motion carries.

Member Comment

None

Adjourn

The Board adjourned the meeting at 3:11 pm EST.

I certify that the foregoing are the true and correct minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of IDEA Greater Cincinnati held on October 16, 2025.

Marquicia Jones-Woods, Board Secretary

Date