

IDEA Public Schools  
**IDEA Greater Cincinnati Board of Directors Meeting**  
February 26, 2026  
2:00 PM EST

**Board Members present virtually:** Dwight Young, Deon Mack (virtual), Cynthia Geer, Jorge Perez

**Non-voting Board Members present:** Deb Howard (virtual)

**Board Members not present:** Marquicia Jones-Woods, Kristi Phillips (non-voting)

**Staff, Legal Counsel and Consultants present:** Matt Robinson, Adam Miller, Taylor Porter, Steven Villafuerte, Adam Schira, Christina Porter, Megan Goossen, Celeste Farmer, Sharonda Daily, Daniel Allen, Margie Kyle, Phillip O'Neal, Jeff Cottrill, Katherine Mullen

**Audience present:** None

**Call to Order**

The meeting is called to order by Dwight Young, Board President, at 2:03 pm EST

**Approval of Agenda**

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

Motion made by: Cynthia Geer  
Second to motion: Jorge Perez  
Roll Call Vote: Cynthia Geer  
Deon Mack  
Dwight Young  
Jorge Perez

*Motion carries.*

**Approval of Minutes**

The Board passed a motion to approve the minutes from the January 29, 2026, Board Meeting.

Motion made by: Cynthia Geer  
Second to motion: Jorge Perez  
Roll Call Vote: Cynthia Geer  
Deon Mack  
Dwight Young  
Jorge Perez

*Motion carries.*

## **Public Comment**

None

## **Updates**

### **A. Executive Director Report**

- a. Matt Robinson, Executive Director, provided the Executive Director's report, including:
  1. Athletics Update
  2. Goals Update
  3. Persistence and Recruitment Progress
  4. Price Hill Athletics Complex
  5. Kindergarten Enrollment Policy Update

### **B. Financial Updates**

- a. Celeste Farmer, Treasurer, provided an overview and update on the financial status for IDEA Greater Cincinnati, Inc. (School), presenting the January 2026 Financial Reports and the pre-approval for the FY 27 budget.

### **C. Fordham Updates:**

- a. Theda Sampson from Fordham shared updates from the February Sponsorship newsletter.

## **Action Items:**

- A. The Board passed a motion to approve the Kindergarten Enrollment Policy update as presented.

Motion made by: Jorge Perez  
Second to motion: Cynthia Geer  
Roll Call Vote: Cynthia Geer  
Deon Mack  
Dwight Young  
Jorge Perez

*Motion carries.*

- B. The Board passed a motion to approve the January 2026 Financial Statements as presented by the Treasurer.

Motion made by: Deon Mack  
Second to motion: Cynthia Geer  
Roll Call Vote: Cynthia Geer  
Deon Mack  
Dwight Young  
Jorge Perez

*Motion carries.*

- C. The Board passed a motion to approve the 2026-27 Technology, Furniture, and Curriculum Advanced Budget.

Motion made by: Cynthia Geer  
Second to motion: Jorge Perez  
Roll Call Vote: Cynthia Geer  
Deon Mack  
Dwight Young  
Jorge Perez

*Motion carries.*

**Consent Agenda:**

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

- A. Contracts:  
A. Board OnTrack

Motion made by: Jorge Perez  
Second to motion: Deon Mack  
Roll Call Vote: Cynthia Geer  
Deon Mack  
Dwight Young  
Jorge Perez

*Motion carries.*

**Member Comment**

None

**Adjourn**

The Board adjourned the meeting at 2:58 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 February 26, 2026.



[Marquicia Jones-Woods \(Apr 22, 2026 18:01:48 EDT\)](#)

Marquicia Jones-Woods, Board Secretary

Apr 22, 2026

Date







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