

IDEA Public Schools
Florida Board of Directors Meeting
March 25, 2026
2:00PM EST

Board Members present: Renee Baker, Kate Wallace and Gary Chartrand

Board Members not present: N/A

Staff, Legal Counsel and Consultants present: Adam Miller, Christina Porter, James Hartman, Michelle Knapp, Megan Goossen, Daniel Woodring, Desmond Lovell, Dr. La'keshia Cook, Derrick Shelton

Audience present: N/A

The meeting is called to order by Renee Baker, Board Chair, at 2:01 PM EST at which time quorum was established.

Approval of Agenda

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

Motion made by: Gary Chartrand
Second to motion: Kate Wallace
All in favor: All present
Not in Attendance: N/A
All Opposed: None that were present
Motion carries.

Approval of Minutes

The Board passed a motion to approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes from December 16, 2025.

Motion made by: Kate Wallace
Second to motion: Gary Chartrand
All in favor: All present
Not in Attendance: N/A
All Opposed: None that were present
Motion carries.

Updates

A. Regional Updates

- i. National Executive Director Update
Presenter: Adam Miller, National Executive Director of IPS
 - a. Future Chefs Program

- b. Leadership transition updates
- ii. Executive Director Report – IDEA Florida
Presenter: James Hartman, Executive Director
 - a. Spotlight – Special Olympics and Performing Arts
 - b. IDEA Florida PM Data
 - c. IDEA Florida Persistence and Recruitment Progress

B. Financial Updates

- i. Desmond Lovell, VP of Finance, presented the following updates.
 - a. 2025-26 Budget vs. Actual and Year End Forecast Financials
 - b. Correction to School Leases
 - c. Advanced Budget Request for 2026-27 Budget

Action Items

- A. Approval of the Lease Modifications with IPS as presented.

Motion made by: Gary Chartrand
Second to motion: Kate Wallace
All in favor: All present
Not in Attendance: N/A
All Opposed: None that were present
Motion carries.

- B. Approval of FY27 Advanced Purchases as presented.

Motion made by: Kate Wallace
Second to motion: Gary Chartrand
All in favor: All present
Not in Attendance: N/A
All Opposed: None that were present
Motion carries.

Consent Agenda

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

- A. Approval of Submission and Ratification of DOE 150 Amendments
- B. Ratification of 2025-26 Class Size Reduction Compliance Plan
- C. Ratification of Attestation of Compliance regarding Chapter 2025-7, Laws of Florida
- D. Ratification of Performance Based Agreements for IDEA Hope and IDEA Victory
- E. Ratification of Safety and Security of School Buildings Attestation for IDEA Hope and Victory

- F. Ratification of C.L. Settlement Agreement
- G. Staff reimbursement for M.H.
- H. Contracts
 - a. Imagine Learning
 - b. School Food and Wellness Group
 - c. Board On Track
 - d. All Alarms
 - e. EMCI
 - f. Cintas
 - g. Matthews Bus Alliance Inc.
 - h. Collaborative Educational Network Inc.

Motion made by: Gary Chartrand
Second to motion: Kate Wallace
All in favor: All Present
Not in Attendance: N/A
All Opposed: None that were present
Motion carries.

Public Comment: None

Member Comment: None

Adjourn

The Board passed a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:06 PM EST.

I certify that the foregoing are the true and correct minutes of the meeting of the Board of the Board of Directors of IDEA Florida, Inc. held on March 25, 2026.

Renée Baker

[Renée Baker \(May 6, 2026 09:23:37 EDT\)](#)

Renee Baker, Board Chair

May 6, 2026

Date







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Final Audit Report

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