

IDEA Greater Cincinnati Board of Directors Meeting

April 20, 2026

2:00 PM EST

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

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

Board Members not present: Marquicia Jones-Woods

Staff, Legal Counsel and Consultants present: Matt Robinson, Adam Miller, Taylor Porter, Adam Schira, Christina Porter, Megan Goossen, Celeste Farmer, Desmond Lovell, Drew Masterson, Sandra Lopez, Janet Robertson, Mark Kendall, Jonathan Church, Kathryn Mullen, Latricia Jones, Derrick Shelton

Audience present: None

Call to Order

The meeting is called to order by Dwight Young, Board President, at 1:13 pm EST

Approval of Agenda

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

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

Motion carries.

Approval of Minutes

The Board passed a motion to approve the minutes from the February 26, 2026, Board Meeting.

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

Motion carries.

Public Comment

None

Updates

A. Financial Updates

- a. Refinancing and the IDEA GC Board of Directors. Adam Schira, Esq., borrower's counsel, provided a summary of the financing structure and an overview of the operative documents for approval in the presented resolution and addressed Board questions regarding the process, obligations, and the final terms of such agreements. The Board suggested amending the resolution to reflect independent review by Board counsel and the subordination of the management fee in the event the School is unable to cover lease payments associated with the financing. Mr. Schira and IPS staff agreed that those revisions were appropriate and amended the draft resolution accordingly. In addition, the Board requested oversight by the sponsor as the draft documents were to be finalized, asked for a draft of the final lease five days prior to execution, and sought a commitment that any subordinated management fees would not accrue—IPS staff agreed that these requests were reasonable, although the base rent schedule of the lease may be subject to revision up until closing.
- b. Celeste Farmer, Treasurer, provided an overview and update on the financial status for IDEA Greater Cincinnati, Inc. (School), presenting the February and March 2026 Financial Reports.

B. Executive Director Report

- a. Matt Robinson, Executive Director, provided the Executive Director's report, including:
 1. Goals Update
 2. Persistence and Recruitment Progress

C. Compliance Updates

- a. Matt Robinson, Executive Director, provided an overview of the proposed Artificial Intelligence Policy and proposed Misbranded Foods Policy.
- b. Matt Robinson, Executive Director, shared the Annual Health and Safety Review. The school reviewed its policies and procedures to ensure the safety of students, employees, and other persons using a school building from any known hazards in the building or on building grounds that pose an immediate risk to health or safety. The specific health and safety policies that were reviewed included:
 - i. Accidents to Students
 - ii. AED and CPR Training
 - iii. AIDS Policy
 - iv. Bed Bug Infestations
 - v. Bomb Threat Policy
 - vi. Care of Students with Diabetes
 - vii. Control of Communicable Diseases
 - viii. Dangerous Weapons

- ix. Emergency Medical Authorization
- x. Emergency Medical Procedures
- xi. Emergency Preparedness and Evacuation
- xii. Food Services
- xiii. Food Standards Policy
- xiv. Free and Reduced Meals
- xv. Handwashing Policy
- xvi. Hazard Communication Program
- xvii. Health Examinations and Immunizations
- xviii. Health Services
- xix. Illness Exposure Management of Food Service Employees
- xx. Infectious Disease Policy
- xxi. Non-Casual-Contact Communicable Diseases
- xxii. OSHA and Bloodborne Pathogens
- xxiii. OSHA and PERRP
- xxiv. Peanut or Other Food Allergies
- xxv. Prevention of Lead Poisoning
- xxvi. Prior Notification of Pesticide Application
- xxvii. Procurement of Inhaler and EpiPen
- xxviii. Property
- xxix. Return of Unused Food Service Funds
- xxx. School Health and Safety Inspections
- xxxi. Toxic Hazards and Asbestos Hazards
- xxxii. Unpaid Meal Charges
- xxxiii. Use of Inhalers
- xxxiv. Use of Medications Policy
- xxxv. Visitors Volunteer
- xxxvi. Wellness Policy
- xxxvii. School Emergency Management Plan
- xxxviii. Head Lice
- xxxix. Naloxone Policy

D. Fordham Updates:

- a. Kathryn Mullen from Fordham shared updates from the March and April Sponsorship newsletters and the February and March Authorizer Monthly Financial Review calls.

Action Items:

- A. The Board passed a motion to approve an amended Resolution of the Board of Directors of IDEA Greater Cincinnati, Inc. authorizing participation in an IPS Cincinnati LLC Bond financing, authorizing the delegation of authority for the execution and delivery of a Master Lease Agreement between IDEA Greater Cincinnati, Inc. and IPS Cincinnati LLC and other documents in connection with the sale, issuance and delivery of the Bonds.

Motion made by: Timothy Fogarty

Second to motion: Cynthia Geer
Roll Call Vote: Cynthia Geer
Deon Mack
Dwight Young
Jorge Perez
Timothy Fogarty

Motion carries.

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

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

Motion carries.

- C. The Board passed a motion to approve the Artificial Intelligence Policy as presented.

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

Motion carries.

- D. The Board passed a motion to approve the Misbranded Foods Policy as presented.

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

Motion carries.

Executive Session

Board member, Timothy Fogarty, recommended transitioning to and moved to enter Executive Session for the purpose of considering the purchase of property for public purposes, the sale of property at competitive bidding, or the sale or other disposition of

unneded, obsolete, or unfit-for-use property where premature disclosure of information would give an unfair competitive or bargaining advantage to a person whose personal, private interest is adverse to the general public interest.. The board passed a motion to move into Executive Session at 3:19pm EST.

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

Motion carries.

Open Session

The board reconvened in open session at 3:36pm EST. No action was taken during Executive Session.


Member Comment

None

Adjourn

The Board adjourned the meeting at 3:43 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 April 20, 2026.


Marquicia Jones-Woods (Jun 12, 2026 11:45:26 EDT)
Marquicia Jones-Woods, Board Secretary

Jun 12, 2026

Date







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