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Kingsman Academy Public Charter School

Board of Trustees Meeting – September 28, 2026
By Videoconference (Google Meet)

Board Members present

- Steve Messner, Chair (by videoconference)
- Maggie Daley, Treasurer (by videoconference)
- Isa Stokes, Secretary (by videoconference)
- Julia Bloom-Weltman (by videoconference)
- Alex Shields (by videoconference)

Board Members not present

- Toloria Gant
- Tameka Harris
- Arthur Rogiers
- Wendy Jeffries

Staff present

- Jessica Tolston, Special Projects Coordinator (by videoconference)
- Erin Kupferberg, Director of Research, Data, and Strategy (by videoconference)
- De'Sean Markley, Special Projects Coordinator (by videoconference)

Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by Chair Steve Messner. The meeting was held electronically via Google Meet. Five of nine board members were present, constituting a quorum.

Procurement

Jessica Tolston and Erin Kupferberg presented the procurement items for the Board's review.
Student transportation

- Yellow Cab Company, door-to-door student transportation, approximately $1,000,000. Yellow Cab was selected because Uber's age restrictions do not allow students to ride unaccompanied, and door-to-door service is required.

Quest Program – Mexico residency

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- Travel agency to plan all excursions and activities, approximately $916,000. The package covers housing, meals, and education.
- Coyote Adventures, academic partner, approximately $80,000.

Quest Program – Brazil residency

- Monte Pascola Hotel, lodging.
- Afro Tourismo, excursions, approximately $65,000.
- Escola Concept, academic partner, approximately $65,000.
- Various airline vendors to support Quest program travel.

Building maintenance and repairs

- Urban Developers Group, flooring, approximately $25,000.
- Patagonia Automatic Doors, new building doors, $40,000.
- PTOAC Glass Company, glass replacement, $25,000.
- Consensious, access control and monitoring systems, $25,000.

Erin Kupferberg noted that the Executive Director allocates funding strictly per location and negotiates lower prices whenever possible.
Board Chair Steve Messner asked whether the school is obligated to pay Yellow Cab if the service goes unused. Jessica Tolston confirmed it is not. Maggie Daley confirmed that the Mexico travel agency package covers housing, meals, and education.

Approval of Procurement Contracts

- Motion to approve the procurement contracts as a package.
- Motion by: Maggie Daley
- Seconded: Julia Bloom-Weltman
- Roll call vote: Alex Shields – Aye; Julia Bloom-Weltman – Aye; Isa Stokes – Aye; Maggie Daley – Aye; Steve Messner – Aye
- The motion carried unanimously (5–0).

Executive Session

No executive session was held.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn.
- Motion by: Julia Bloom-Weltman
- Seconded: Isa Stokes
- The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Signed by:
Isa Stokes
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Signature

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Date

Secretary

Title