



## **Kalamazoo Prep Academy Board of Directors**

**Date:** February 18, 2026  
**Time:** 12 noon - 1:30pm  
**Location:** Kalamazoo Prep Academy  
400 West Crosstown Pkwy  
Kalamazoo, MI 49001

### **Board Meeting Agenda**

**Roll Call**

Casey Alger, President	Present	Absent
Marc Schupan, Vice President	Present	Absent
Dr. Luchara Wallace, Secretary	Present	Absent
Dr. Sandy Standish, Treasurer	Present	Absent
Sara Amy, Member	Present	Absent
Marcus Kole, Member	Present	Absent
Erin Dominianni, Member	Present	Absent

**Other Attendees:**

Laurel Capobianco, RE	Kares Johnson, KPA
Virginia Leser, RE	Eric Adams, KPA
Andrew Hulbert, RE	Dr. Matt Cawood, GVSU
Ross Keilen, KPA Attorney	

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**Oath of Office for Erin Dominianni (Dr Matt Cawood)**

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I. **Public Comment on Agenda** (agenda items only, reserved for three minutes per person)

II. **Approval of Agenda (February 18, 2026)**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_

III. **Approval/Acceptance of December 10, 2025, Board Meeting [minutes](#)**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_

IV. **Standard Business Reports**

A. **School Report (Kares Johnson)**

1. Meet and Greet with New Staff
2. Program Focus (Ms. Rubbie Hodge and poetry students)
3. A Day in the Life of a KPA Student
4. Enrollment, Retention & Mission Accomplishments
5. Academic Progress Update

B. **Financial Update (Andrew Hulbert)**

1. December Financial Package [KPA December Financial Package - Final.pdf](#)
2. January Financial Package [KPA January Financial Package - Final.pdf](#)

C. **Relmagine Update (Laurel Capobianco)**

1. Activities of KPA Task Forces
2. Mentor Model Rollout
3. New Curriculum (Subject.com) Recommendation for vote at April board meeting (Andrew)

D. **GVSU Update (Dr. Matthew Cawood)**

1. 2024 - 2025 Academic Grant Award

E. **Legal Update (Ross Keilen)**

1. [Board Policies 1st Reading](#)

1000 ESP Statement

2210 Curriculum Development – Approved Courses

2261.02 Title I – A Parent’s Right to Know

2266 Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities

2412 Homebound Instruction Program

3000 Educational Service Provider Statement

5111.01 Homeless Education: McKinney Vento Policy

5460 Graduation Requirements

5517.01 Bullying and Other Aggressive Behavior Toward Students

7540.02 Digital Content and Accessibility

8305 Information Security

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. . . move to approve a second reading of Policy Nos. 1000, 2210, 2261.02, 2266, 2412, 3000, 5111.01, 5460, 5517.01, 7540.02, and 8305 as presented. Support - discussion - Vote.

**V. New Business**

1. Approval of [Kalamazoo Prep Academy's 2025-2026 Emergency Operation Plan](#)

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Approval to recommend Casey Alger and Marcus Kole for reappointment to KPA Board of Directors.

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Approval to accept the GVSU Academic Grant.

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_

**VI. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

**VII. Discussion**

- A. Building and Grounds Findings from Tower Pinkster (Casey/Drew)

**VIII. Reminder for Next Board Meeting: April 15, 2026 @ 12:00pm**

**IX. Adjournment**

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Opposed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Kalamazoo Prep Academy**  
**\*Board of Directors\***

**Date:** December 10, 2025  
**Time:** 12noon - 1:30pm  
**Location:** Kalamazoo Prep Academy (formerly known as Kalamazoo Covenant Academy)  
400 West Crosstown Pkwy  
Kalamazoo, MI 49001

**BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

**Call to Order 12:03 pm**

**Roll Call**

Casey Alger, President	xPresent	oAbsent
Marc Schupan, Vice President	xPresent	oAbsent
Dr. Luchara Wallace, Secretary	xPresent	oAbsent
Dr. Sandy Standish, Treasurer	xPresent	oAbsent
Sara Amy, Member	xPresent	oAbsent
Marcus Kole, Member	xPresent	oAbsent

**Other Attendees:**

Laurel Capobianco, RE	Dr. Matt Cawood, GVSU
Andrew Hulbert, RE	Virginia Leser, RE
Sherrie Schanzenbaker, KPA	Eric Adams, KPA
Ben Hoppe, RE	

**Mission Statement:** The Kalamazoo Prep Academy (KPA) provides disengaged, dropout youth, ages 15-22 years, hope and the opportunity to earn their high school diploma. KPA believes that all students are valuable members of our community. KPA students will be guided by a caring, compassionate staff that will provide students with an academic foundation guiding them to post-secondary careers, training and college. KPA believes providing this foundation for our youth will prevent youth homelessness and incarceration. This will be done with absolute respect and unconditional love while offering hope and encouragement to all students.

**Public Comment on Agenda** (agenda items only, reserved for three minutes per person)

**Approval of Agenda (Dec 10, 2025)**

Motion: Sandy	Second: Luchara
Ayes: 6	Opposed: 0

**Approval/Acceptance of Standard Business**

- o **Approval of Oct 10, 2025, Board Meeting [minutes](#)**

Motion: Sandy	Second: Marcus
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Ayes: 6

Opposed: 0

- **School Report (Sherrie Schanzenbaker)**
  - Introduction of New Staff & Staff Org Chart
    - Calvin Winfield-new Mission Coach
    - Matt Rische-Lead Special Ed-resigned
    - Staff openings: Lead Special Ed, Van driver
    - New Org chart in place: [Attached](#)
  - Enrollment, Retention & Mission Accomplishments
    - Peak enrollment: 234 students
    - Current enrollment: 203
    - Dropped or Transfer: 52
    - Graduated Students:2
    - Average Daily Attendance:42
    - 2 new Chauffeurs License
    - New (donated) van in place
    - GVSU Renewal visit
    - Annual title 1 parent meeting
    - Curriculum Presentation
  - Academic Progress Update
    - Term 2-102 credits
      - Cumulative: 134
    - Looking into Subject & Edmentum for next school year
  - Update on Kares' Health
    - Doing well, returning to position January 5, 2026
- **Financial Update (Andrew Hulbert)**
  - Presentation from Brian McFarren, Brickley DeLong, Audit Partner
    - Audit in good order
  - November ([Amended Budget](#))
- **RelImagine Update (Laurel Capobianco)**
  - Task force in place KPA & Reimagine
    - Strength
    - Weaknesses
    - Opportunities
    - Threats
  - Scorecards completed by winter break assist with overall big picture throughout the school year
  - External community conversations
- **RelImagine Update (Ben Hoppe)**
  - KPA Branding: January 5, 2026
  - Mascot-Skyhawks
  - Brand Identity rolled out to staff
  - Protocol use for synchrony
- **GVSU Update (Dr. Matthew Cawood)**
  - The meet with GVSU went well and we can expect a three year renewal

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- **Legal Update (Ross Keilen-absent) Casey & Drew**
  - Policies Review (from Sept 17 Board Meeting)
  - Section 31aa Funding
    - Opting in at this time
    - Waiting on ruling for commitment

**New Business**

- Approval of Kalamazoo Prep Academy New Mission Statement:

*“KPA empowers students to reclaim their education by offering flexible, personalized pathways that meet students where they are, preparing them for graduation and future success.”*

Motion: Mark	Second: Marcus
Ayes: 6	Opposed: 0

- Approval of Kalamazoo Prep Academy New Logo and Mascot

Motion: Marcus	Second: Sara
Ayes: 6	Opposed: 0

- Approval of 25-26 Amended Budget

Motion: Luchara	Second: Sandy
Ayes: 5	Opposed: 1

- Approval of appointment of Erin Dominianni to the KPA Board of Directors, effective upon confirmation by the GVSU Board of Trustees

Motion: Luchara	Second: Sandy
Ayes: 5	Opposed: 1

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

- None

**Discussion**

- Campus Exterior Grounds Update (Casey/Drew)
- External (community) stakeholder meetings (Laurel)

**Reminder for Next Board Meeting:** February 18, 2026, 12noon

**Adjournment:**

Motion: Sandy	Second: Marcus
Ayes: 6	Opposed: 0

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