

KIPP New Orleans Schools Parent/Guardian/Alumni Board Representation

Per OPSB policy HA, BESE Bulletin 126, and our Charter Operating Agreement, the KIPP New Orleans Schools' (KNOS) Governance and Nominating Committee will assess board membership annually to assure we are meeting compliance requirements on both residency and parent/alumni requirements.

When a parent/alumni vacancy occurs, KNOS staff will solicit school leaders for nominations of recent alumni and prospective parents who might be interested in KNOS board membership. KNOS staff KNOS staff will meet with potential board members to provide a background and overview of board membership and will forward names of interested candidates to the Governance and Nominating Committee.

The Governance and Nominating Committee will perform an additional screen for interested candidates, provide an opportunity for the full board to engage with prospects, and will then present a name or names to the full board for consideration.

Parent Board Member Selection Criteria

Qualifications:

Parent or legal guardian of a student enrolled in good standing at a KIPP school for at least two
consecutive years, or the parent of a recent graduate (within the last two years) of a KIPP high school
who was enrolled with KIPP for at least two consecutive years.

Expectations:

- Committed to attending at least 85 percent of regularly scheduled board meetings, retreats or
 planning sessions, and committed to serving on at least one committee. Board meetings are held
 every other month.
- Contributes to the effective governance of the KIPP New Orleans Schools by working with other board members to provide direction, oversight and support to the organization.
- Acts on behalf of the organization and its interests, putting aside personal concerns, affiliations or constituencies.
- Communicates effectively and brings their unique perspective to conversations about the strategic direction of the organization while respecting the autonomy of staff leadership.
- Understands governance best practices, including the division between governance and management.
- Demonstrates ability to represent KIPP New Orleans Schools and the board of directors positively in a variety of settings.