



Kalamazoo
Foundation for
Excellence

Agenda FFE Board of Directors

Monday, April 27, 2026 2:00 PM

251 Mills St. Kalamazoo, MI

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call: Anderson, Balkema, Bogan, Bostrom, Carrel, Drumm, Hankins, Hess, McKague, Parker, Salas, Taylor, Vazquez-Alatorre, Westbury, Wilson
2. Approve the Agenda
3. Welcome Guests: Nominated FFE Directors, Isabela Robinson, Neighborhood Stakeholder (Eastside) and Jose Alexis Mejia, Arts Stakeholder

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve February 23, 2026, minutes

C. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. (No Action) 2025 Newsletter
2. (No Action) Engagement for Tenth Anniversary Planning Communications

D. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Receive and Review Annual Independent Audit and Financial Report Documents
2. Approve the Estimated 2027 Grant Distribution to the City of Kalamazoo
3. Approve Nominations and (Re)Appointments of Directors to the Foundation for Excellence Board
4. Elect Officers for One-Year Terms
5. Approve Committee Appointments for One-Year Terms Ending at the Annual

Board Meeting to be held in April of 2026

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

F. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

1. (No Action) Director Thank You for Directors Carrel and Taylor

G. ADJOURNMENT

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Agendas and previous minutes for FFE meetings are available directly at: <https://kalamazoomi.civicclerk.com/>.

Questions regarding agenda items may be answered prior to the meeting by contacting the FFE Manager at ffe@kalamazoocity.org.

KALAMAZOO FOUNDATION OF EXCELLENCE

PUBLIC COMMENT RULES

1. Persons attending a regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Kalamazoo Foundation for Excellence shall be permitted to address the Board in conformity with this rule and the Michigan Open Meetings Act.
2. An individual wishing to address the Board shall wait to be recognized by the presiding officer.
3. A person addressing the Board shall provide their name and whether they are a resident of the City.
4. Remarks by a speaker shall be confined to matters within the purview of the Board and KFFE.
5. The chairperson of the meeting or a majority of the Board in attendance may permit individuals to speak once, for up to four (4) minutes, on specific matters being considered on the meeting agenda of the Board, except no comment is permitted on secondary or procedural motions to a main motion.
6. A speaker is permitted to address the Board once during the Public Comment portion of the meeting for up to four (4) minutes.
7. A speaker is not permitted to yield any unused portion of speaking time to other speakers.
8. A speaker may be ruled out of order for conduct that interrupts or disrupts the meeting.

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