

**KALAMAZOO FOUNDATION FOR EXCELLENCE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

Meeting of September 16, 2019

The meeting of the Kalamazoo Foundation for Excellence (KFFE) Executive Committee was called to order at 2:02 pm in the Community Room of City Hall by President Bobby J. Hopewell. Present were Vice President Dr. Graham-Williams, Treasurer Adam McFarlin, Secretary Barb Miller, Director Nathan Dannison, and Assistant City Manager Laura Lam.

A quorum was present.

Minutes of the last meeting were moved for approval by Director Dannison and seconded by Treasurer McFarlin. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

There was a recap of the discussion of honorary membership at previous board meeting. There was a recap of potential fundraising timeline of collaboration with CCS Fundraising.

Under new business, Directors discussed the coming vacancy of the Presidency when President Hopewell's term as Mayor expires in November. A motion was made by Director Dannison and Seconded by Ritsema, to nominate Director Dr Graham-Williams as President, who accepted the nomination. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote. In the matter of nominating a new Vice President, Secretary Miller nominated Director Ritsema. Director Dannison seconded. Director Ritsema accepted the nomination. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Staff presented the new FFE investment mapping dashboard, which will be debuted at the September 13 board meeting.

The agenda of the October 25, 2019, meeting of the board of directors was approved by consensus.

Next meeting will be scheduled for January of 2020 by staff in December of 2019.

Board comments. President thanked the group for retaining his ability to serve as an honorary member.

President Hopewell adjourned the meeting at 2:32 pm.

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Steve Brown, Recording Secretary