

**Minutes of the  
CHIME Institute  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Tuesday, January 6th, 2026**

**Members Present:** Patrick Smith, Dawn Hamilton, Keisha R Carroll, Matt Rinnert, Kate Kodet, Josh Mark

**Members Absent:** Marc Polansky

**Others Present:** Erin Studer, Annie Cox

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Patrick Smith
- II. **Public Comment:** (3 minutes each)—Members of the public were given the opportunity to make a public comment. Each speaker, if any, was advised of the three (3) minute time limit and that ordinarily, Board members cannot respond to presentations on non-action items as no action can be taken on non-agenda items, but that the Board may advise that direction may be given to staff following a presentation later.
- III. **Consent Agenda** (5 min) The following item(s) may be adopted by a single vote of the board, or any item(s) may be pulled off of consent by any member's request (without any need for a vote to pull from consent).
  - A. Approval of the minutes of the 12/2/2025 CHIME Institute Board Meeting
  - B. **M/S/P Motion** (B. Laskey/D. Hamilton) to approve the Minutes of the CHIME Institute Board of Directors meeting held on 12/2/2025
    1. **Public comment:** There was an opportunity for public comment. None were made
    2. Keisha R Carroll's name was spelled incorrectly and has been amended.
    3. **VOTE:**
    4. **Yeses:** P. Smith, D. Hamilton, K. Carroll, M. Rinnert, K. Kodet
    5. **No's:** none
    6. **Abstentions:** J. Mark
    7. **MOTION PASSES:** 5-0-1
- IV. **Educational Programs Report**
  - A. **A. Cox provided a report on the Early Ed Programs updates including plans and strategies as recommended by the Early Education Advisory Committee.**
- V. **Board Committee Reports**
  - A. **E. Studer gave a brief update on the activities of the Strategic Planning process.**
- VI. **Adjournment:**
  - A. **M/S/P Motion** (P. Smith) to adjourn the CHIME Institute Board meeting.
  - B. **Public comment:** There was an opportunity for public comment. None were made
    1. **VOTE**
    2. **Yeses:** P. Smith, D. Hamilton, K. Carroll, M. Rinnert, K. Kodet, J. Mark

3. **No's:** none
4. **Abstentions:** *none*
5. **MOTION PASSES:** 6-0-0