

**Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City  
Board of Director's Meeting Minutes  
April 8, 2025**

**Attendance**

**Directors:**

Deputy Mayor Ana J. Almanzar, Chair (virtual)  
William Heinzen, Vice-Chair  
Dawn Pinnock, Director  
Renee Campion, Director  
DeShanna Alexander, Director/Secretary

**Officers:**

Kate R. Smith, President  
Loraya Harrington-Trujillo, Vice-President  
Wendy Li, Treasurer

**Other Participants:**

Shannon Allen- Director of Programs and Policy, Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City  
Brittany Cassell - Senior Director for Development, Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City  
Cesaryna Pena - Program Manager, Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City  
Kate Montemagno – Development Manager, Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City  
Deniz Gonen - Programs Associate, Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City  
Felipe Batista - Programs Associate, Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City  
Madelyn Lantigua- Senior Advisor, Office of the Deputy Mayor for Strategic Initiatives  
Kevin Marquez-Arguera - Policy Advisor, Office of the Deputy Mayor for Strategic Initiatives

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**Vice president Harrington-Trujillo (L. Harrington-Trujillo) called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m.**

L. Harrington-Trujillo introduced and turned the meeting over to Kate R. Smith as the new Board president and executive director of the Mayor's Fund.

Kate R. Smith (K. Smith) asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Board meeting held on November 6, 2024.

Director Heinzen (B. Heinzen) made a motion to adopt the minutes. Director Campion (R. Campion) seconded the motion.

(inaudible comment from Director Almanzar (A. Almanzar))

The motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on November 6, 2024, approved, unanimously.



K. Smith moved to New Business and introduced the Mayor's Office of New York City Service.

K. Smith turned the meeting over to Laura Rog and Aaron Miner of NYC Service to make a presentation.

\*Laura Rog and Aaron Miner presented on NYC Service. \*

K. Smith asked about the status of federal funding and how it relates to AmeriCorps.

Aaron Miner clarified that the current funding is already allocated for next year, however the next congressional budget resolution will determine future funding.

Director Pinnock (D. Pinnock) acknowledged the work of NYC Service and its impact on workforce development and private sector engagement.

Laura Rog acknowledged the importance of the City's commitment to supporting NYC Service.

K. Smith commented that there are always several private companies that are interested in ways to engage in service.

B. Heinzen commended the tremendous work of NYC Service and its team over the past 16 years that it has been in existence.

Laura Rog commented on how to maintain sustainability throughout various administrations and express an appreciation of the current administration's support of its work.

K. Smith asked for any additional questions or comments.

K. Smith asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

B. Heinzen moved for adjournment.

D. Pinnock seconded the motion.

The motion to adjourn passed, unanimously.

**The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:46 p.m.**