



The Anchor School

Minutes

Community Engagement Committee Meeting

Date and Time Wednesday June 12, 2024 at 9:00 PM

Location Jasmine Burton is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Jasmine Burton's Personal Meeting Room

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Committee Members Present

D. Grissom (remote), E. Desprez Isbell (remote), J. Burton (remote), V. Thompson (remote)

Committee Members Absent None

Guests Present

G. Stevens (remote), J. Pinto Taylor (remote), M. Felts (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Burton called a meeting of the Community Engagement & Advancement (Ad-hoc) Committee of The Anchor School to order on Wednesday Jun 12, 2024 at 9:05 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

D. Grissom made a motion to approve the minutes from Community Engagement Committee Meeting on 05-13-24.

V. Thompson seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Community Engagement Committee

A. Review of June Calendar Items

- Phonathon will begin after we sync with Kynea (goal will be to have assignments and make calls by the end of the months)
- Fundraising policy and public comment templates provided by 21Cobalt as a basis for future use at TAS (public comment template/resources to be provided to the executive committee)

III. Other Business

A. Discuss CE Committee Best Practices from Morgan/Gregg

- Discussion around the purpose this committee and how it might best be deconstructed into a series of advisory groups that could more effectively act as catalysts fro community action with varying stakeholders of TAS.
- This committee discussed how the advisories could be structured. With the possibility of advisories reporting to the 3 core committees. A draft proposed plan could ube:
 - Fundraising Advisory > Finance
 - Co-Design > Operations
 - Community Partnerships > Academic
- These advisories could exist in different forms to ensure collaboration/streamlined communications and support between the TAS community, staff and the board.
- The proposal is for the existing committee to discuss this with the full board to ensure full alignment in the value add of this structure. If approved/agreed upon by the board, then the existing committee would work to create structures or a handbook that cover the who (who should be on each advisory), the what (the goals of each advisory), the recruitment strategy and reporting cadence to the board. Additionally, we will seek to provide thoughts/guidelines for how these entities could operate (ex: if it is a separate foundation, in the form of something like a PTA, a friends of TAS structure and or a co-design advisory with members of the community)
- Upon completing this strategizing and planning, the current committee would seek to identify participants for each new advisory and sunset the formal structure of this committee (ideally ~ end of year 2 of TAS if timelines/priorities/activation permits)

IV. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Burton

The Anchor School is a village of educators, families, and community members that partners with 6th through 12th-grade students* who are developing the knowledge, skills, and confidence they need to thrive in school and beyond. Through our commitment to excellent instruction, community partnerships, and holistic student development, we cultivate anchors that build a more just and equitable future.

*In August 2022, the SCSC authorized TAS as a GA Charter School with approval to enroll students who will be in the 6th grade in the fall of 2023.