



# American Dream Charter School

## ADCS Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting

SY26-27

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### Date and Time

Monday August 17, 2026 at 5:30 PM EDT

### Location

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3880187236>

Meeting ID: 892 3909 4103

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### Agenda

|                                     | Purpose         | Presenter | Time           |
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| <b>I. Opening Items</b>             |                 |           | <b>5:30 PM</b> |
| <b>A.</b> Record Attendance         |                 |           | 1 m            |
| <b>B.</b> Call the Meeting to Order |                 |           |                |
| <b>C.</b> Approve Minutes           | Approve Minutes |           | 1 m            |
| <b>II. Educational Success</b>      |                 |           | <b>5:32 PM</b> |

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| <b>A.</b> Benchmark 1: Student Performance<br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NYSTP Embargoed release</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | FYI     | Nicholas Gallagher | 3 m  |
| <b>B.</b> Benchmark 2: Teaching and Learning<br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• STEM Strategies Partnership for Illustrative Math Update</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Discuss | Melissa Melkonian  | 5 m  |
| <b>C.</b> BENCHMARK 3: Culture, Climate, and Student and Family Engagement<br><br>Important Upcoming Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8/17 - Secondary Leadership Team Reports</li> <li>• 8/20 - New Teachers Report</li> <li>• 8/24 - All Staff Report for Teacher Academy 8/24-8/28</li> <li>• 8/31 - First day of SY 26-27 school year</li> </ul> |         | Melissa Melkonian  | 5 m  |

### III. Organizational Soundness

**5:45 PM**

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| <b>A.</b> BENCHMARK 4: Financial Condition<br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Account balances</b></li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                          |         | Nicholas Gallagher | 5 m |
| <b>B.</b> BENCHMARK 5: Financial Management<br><br><b>Financial Report</b><br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For the Period Ending June 30, 2026</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                              | Discuss | Nicholas Gallagher | 5 m |
| <b>C.</b> BENCHMARK 6: Board Oversight and Governance:<br><br><b>Board Assessment SY25-26</b><br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The assessment is ready on Board on Track</li> </ul><br>Board Term Renewals<br><br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zuleika Martinez - 3-year renewal</li> </ul> | Vote    | Nicholas Gallagher | 5 m |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Angelo Cabrera - 1-year renewal</li> <li>• Patricia Simon - 2-year renewal</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |         |                    |                |
| <b>D. BENCHMARK 7: Organizational Capacity</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | FYI     | Nicholas Gallagher | 5 m            |
| <b>IV. Faithfulness to Charter &amp; Law</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |         |                    | <b>6:05 PM</b> |
| <b>A. BENCHMARK 8: Mission and Key Design Elements</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |         |                    | 5 m            |
| <b>B. BENCHMARK 9: Enrollment, Recruitment, and Retention</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | FYI     | Nicholas Gallagher | 3 m            |
| <b>Current Enrollment: 556 Total</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |         |                    |                |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6th - 42</li> <li>• 7th - 73</li> <li>• 8th - 88</li> <li>• 9th - 96               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ (about 20 students in 9th grade that haven't earned enough credit to be promoted to 10th grade as of now)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• 10th - 70</li> <li>• 11th - 88</li> <li>• 12th - 83</li> </ul> |         |                    |                |
| <b>C. BENCHMARK 10: Legal Compliance</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | FYI     | Nicholas Gallagher | 5 m            |
| <b>V. Other Business</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |         |                    |                |
| <b>VI. Closing Items</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |         |                    |                |
| <b>A. Adjourn Meeting</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Vote    |                    |                |