



Allegiance STEAM Academy

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

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Date and Time

Monday January 12, 2026 at 5:30 PM PST

Location

ONSITE MEETING LOCATION:

5862 C Street
Chino, Ca. 91710

SATELLITE MEETING LOCATIONS:

7930 Locust Ave

Fontana, Ca. 92336

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/91713075690>

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Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter
I. Opening Items		
A. Call the Meeting to Order	Troy Stevens	
B. Record Attendance	Troy Stevens	
	• Troy Stevens, Chair	
	• Samantha Odo, Treasurer	
	• Marcylin Jones, Secretary	

		Purpose	Presenter
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shantay Thompson, Member• Shehzad Bhojani, Member• Martin Casas, Member• Jacob Kaaekuahiwi, Member		
C.	Approval of Agenda	Vote	Troy Stevens
	It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the Agenda for Regular Board Meeting.		
D.	Pledge of Allegiance		Troy Stevens
E.	Reports		Sebastian Cognetta
	<u>Reports</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Principal - Chino• Principal - Fontana• PACK - Chino• PACK - Fontana• CEO		
F.	Student Celebrations		Sebastian Cognetta
G.	Public Comments	Discuss	Marcilyn Jones
	Members of the public may address the Board at Regular Board meetings on Agenda or Non-Agenda items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board, and at Special Board meetings on Agenda items only.		
	Speakers may be called in the order requests are received, or grouped by subject area. No individual presentations shall be for more than three (3) minutes. By law, the Board is allowed to take action only on items on the agenda. The Board may, at its discretion, refer a matter to school staff or calendar the issue for discussion at a future Board meeting.		

II. Items Scheduled for Consent

A.	Approve Minutes for December 12 2025, Regular Board Meeting	Approve Minutes	Troy Stevens
	It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve and adopt the Board Meeting Minutes for December 12, 2025.		

	Purpose	Presenter
B. Approve Check Registrar	Vote	Sebastian Cognetta
It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve and adopt the ASA Check Register for November, 2025 for:		
• ASA Chino • ASA Fontana		

III. Governance

A. School Accountability Report Card - ASA Chino (2024-25)	Vote	Sebastian Cognetta
It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve and adopt the School Accountability Report Card - ASA Chino (2024-25)		
B. School Accountability Report Card - ASA Fontana (2024-25)	Vote	Sebastian Cognetta
It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve and adopt the School Accountability Report Card - ASA Fontana (2024-25)		
C. Revised Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP) Plans	Discuss	Sebastian Cognetta
The Board will review the revised Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP) Plans for Allegiance STEAM Academy Chino and Allegiance STEAM Academy Thrive (Fontana) in accordance with Education Code requirements.		

IV. Items Scheduled for Discussion, Action, Other Business

V. Finance

A. FY26 Budget - ASA Chino	Vote	Sebastian Cognetta
It is recommended the Board of Directors approve and adopt the FY26 Budget for ASA Chino .		
B. FY26 Budget - ASA Fontana	Vote	Sebastian Cognetta
It is recommended the Board of Directors approve and adopt the FY26 Budget for ASA Fontana .		

VI. Communications

A. Communications	Discuss	Troy Stevens
Communications from CEO & Board		

Purpose Presenter

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting Vote Troy Stevens

It is recommended that the Board of Directors adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board.

• *Where All Children Can Thrive* •

Coversheet

Approve Minutes for December 12 2025, Regular Board Meeting

Section: II. Items Scheduled for Consent
Item: A. Approve Minutes for December 12 2025, Regular Board Meeting
Purpose: Approve Minutes
Submitted by:
Related Material:
Minutes for Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors on December 8, 2025

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Allegiance STEAM Academy

Minutes

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Date and Time

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Directors Present

J. Kaakuahiwi, M. Casas, S. Odo, S. Thompson, T. Stevens

Directors Absent

M. Jones, S. Bhojani

Guests Present

C. Moreno, Carmelita Lopez, J. Dizon (remote), K. Holt, S. Cognetta, S. Lazo, S. Lopez

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

T. Stevens called a meeting of the board of directors of Allegiance STEAM Academy to order on Monday Dec 8, 2025 at 5:30 PM.

B. Record Attendance

C. Approval of Agenda

S. Odo made a motion to approve the Agenda for Regular Board Meeting.
T. Stevens seconded the motion.

Passed 5-0

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

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

Roll Call

S. Odo Aye

J. Kaakuahiwi Aye

T. Stevens Aye

M. Casas Aye

S. Thompson Aye

S. Bhojani Absent

M. Jones Absent

D. Pledge of Allegiance

E. Reports

Principal - Chino, Kathleen Holt

Student Development: Trimester 1 completed. Awards ceremony, this year added mileage club achievement of 25 miles and classroom attendance awards for those who scored highest average attendance during Tri 1. Paw prints for every class that has 100% daily. Started Bridge and PAWS. Hearing and vision testing completed, and held first Saturday school.

Teacher Development: Completed mid-year evaluations for Teachers. Started second cycle of PLN.

Community Events: Held second School Site Council meeting, Friday Morning Mileage Club, and First Annual Turkey Trot. Upcoming events - PACK Meeting, Howling with the Community, Chino Parade

Principal - Fontana, Cyndi Valenta

Teacher Development: Staff mid-year evaluations. Launch GiveThanks, computer based gratitude program. Program will be called Thankful Thursdays. Genius Initiative, about underachieving students and allowing Tier 1-3 interventions.

Community Events: Central Office provided a Staff Appreciation Luncheon. Upcoming events - Christmas Parade, second year participating in Fontana Santa Toy Drive, and Winter STEAM Day.

PACK - Chino, update provided by Kathleen Holt

Limo lunch for students who sold 25+ items for Fall Festival. PACK provided costumes for Administration during Turkey Trot. Coffee bar for staff prior to fall break. Sponsored Winter Door Decorating Contest, Enrichment Teachers were judges. BMX and Free Flyers Anti-Bullying Assembly.

PACK - Fontana, update provided by Cyndi Valenta

Fundraisers: Book Fair raised \$5,000+, Read a Thon raised \$6,000+. Fall Festival scheduled for March.

CEO, Sebastian Cognetta

Key Highlights:

- Open enrollment 2026-2027, running October through December. Currently 337 applications; Chino 239 and Fontana 98.

- Leadership Framework and Development

Attendance and Enrollment:

- Chino, 957 enrollment

- Fontana, 360 enrollment

Grant and External Funding:

- California Advance Service Fund Adoption - Broadband Access (Fontana), Awarded

- Career Tech Education Implementation (Chino and Fontana), Awarded

- New Schools Venture Fund (Chino and Fontana), Applied

- After School Education and Safety (Chino), Applied

- After School Education and Safety (Fontana), Applied

Investment:

Exploring investment options for Payment Protection Plan Account

F. Student Celebrations

Fontana Campus, Mrs. Delk - 1st and 7th Grades

Students, M. Ramirez and M. Ramirez

STEAM Activity, Snowflakes

STEAM process and use of specific materials to engineer a snowflake.

G. Public Comments

The floor was opened for public comments - no comments submitted.

II. Items Scheduled for Consent

A. Approve Minutes for November 12, 2025, Regular Board Meeting

T. Stevens made a motion to approve Minutes for November 12, 2025, Regular Board Meeting Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors on 11-12-25.

S. Thompson seconded the motion.

Passed 5-0

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

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

Roll Call

S. Odo Aye

M. Jones Absent

M. Casas Aye

Roll Call

S. Bhojani Absent
S. Thompson Aye
T. Stevens Aye
J. Kaakuahiwi Aye

B. Approve Check Registrar

S. Odo made a motion to approve Check Register.

T. Stevens seconded the motion.

Passed 5-0

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

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

Roll Call

M. Jones Absent
M. Casas Aye
S. Odo Aye
S. Bhojani Absent
T. Stevens Aye
J. Kaakuahiwi Aye
S. Thompson Aye

III. Governance

A. Student Education Records Policy

S. Odo made a motion to approve Student Education Records Policy.

M. Casas seconded the motion.

Passed 5-0

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

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

Roll Call

M. Jones Absent
S. Thompson Aye
S. Bhojani Absent
S. Odo Aye
M. Casas Aye
J. Kaakuahiwi Aye
T. Stevens Aye

B. Revised Suicide Prevention Policy

T. Stevens made a motion to approve Revised Suicide Prevention Policy.

S. Thompson seconded the motion.

Passed 5-0

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

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

Roll Call

S. Bhojani Absent

M. Casas Aye

J. Kaakuahiwi Aye

M. Jones Absent

S. Odo Aye

T. Stevens Aye

S. Thompson Aye

C. Revised Parent, Guest, and Visitor Civility Policy

S. Odo made a motion to approve Revised Parent, Guest, and Visitor Civility Policy.

M. Casas seconded the motion.

Passed 5-0

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

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

Roll Call

S. Thompson Aye

J. Kaakuahiwi Aye

M. Casas Aye

S. Odo Aye

T. Stevens Aye

S. Bhojani Absent

M. Jones Absent

IV. Items Scheduled for Discussion, Action, Other Business

A. Williams Settlement – Fiscal Year 2024–25 Annual Report

S. Thompson made a motion to approve Williams Settlement – Fiscal Year 2024–25 Annual Report.

S. Odo seconded the motion.

Passed 5-0

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

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

Roll Call

S. Thompson Aye

S. Bhojani Absent

M. Casas Aye

Roll Call

M. Jones Absent
J. Kaakuahwi Aye
S. Odo Aye
T. Stevens Aye

B. Allegiance STEAM Academy Organization-Wide Discount Program with Sylvan Learning Centers

Presented by Board Member, M. Casas

Interested in ways to keep students engaged, especially during school breaks. Inquired with Sylvan Learning Center in Chino to work with ASA students. QR code available to share with ASA families. Tutoring is currently available through ASA ELOP. Sylvan Learning Center is optional and participation is paid by families not the school. Communication to be sent to ASA families.

V. Finance

A. FY26 Budget - ASA Chino

T. Stevens made a motion to approve.

S. Thompson seconded the motion.

Passed 5-0

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

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

Roll Call

S. Thompson Aye
S. Odo Aye
T. Stevens Aye
S. Bhojani Absent
J. Kaakuahwi Aye
M. Casas Aye
M. Jones Aye

B. FY26 Budget - ASA Fontana

S. Odo made a motion to approve FY26 Budget - ASA Fontana.

J. Kaakuahwi seconded the motion.

Passed 5-0

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

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

Roll Call

T. Stevens Aye
S. Odo Aye

Roll Call

J. Kaakuahiwi Aye
S. Thompson Aye
M. Jones Absent
S. Bhojani Absent
M. Casas Aye

C. Approval of the 2025–26 First Interim Financial Report - ASA Chino

S. Thompson made a motion to approve the 2025–26 First Interim Financial Report - ASA Chino.

J. Kaakuahiwi seconded the motion.

Passed 5-0

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

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

Roll Call

S. Odo Aye
M. Casas Aye
S. Thompson Aye
T. Stevens Aye
S. Bhojani Absent
J. Kaakuahiwi Aye
M. Jones Absent

D. Approval of the 2025–26 First Interim Financial Report - ASA Fontana

T. Stevens made a motion to approve the 2025–26 First Interim Financial Report - ASA Fontana.

M. Casas seconded the motion.

Passed 5-0

Opposed 0

Abstained 0

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

Roll Call

M. Jones Absent
M. Casas Aye
J. Kaakuahiwi Aye
S. Odo Aye
S. Thompson Aye
T. Stevens Aye
S. Bhojani Absent

VI. Communications

A.

Communications

Sebastian Cognetta

End of 2025, grateful for work of team. Leadership framework to provide clarity and support sites. Solid start to school year, including objective measures. Board training to ensure governance is sound, responsible, and best for our students.

Martin Casas

End of the year, continue going strong. Looking forward to 2026.

Samantha Odo

Thank you all, looking forward to next year.

Shantay Thompson

Looking forward to parade. Keep up the good work!

Jacob

Glad to be part of the team.

Troy Stevens

Thank you to the students presenting in the celebrations. Healthy competitions being witnessed on both campuses. Parent involvement makes organizations better.

Safe travels, and happy new year.

VII. 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 6:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

T. Stevens

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