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# Allegiance STEAM Academy

## Minutes

### Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

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#### Date and Time

Tuesday February 11, 2025 at 5:30 PM

#### Location

##### Meeting of the Board of Directors

##### ONSITE MEETING LOCATION:

5862 C St.  
Chino, Ca. 91710

##### SATELLITE MEETING LOCATIONS:

7420 Locust Ave.  
Fontana, Ca. 92336

Zoom Link:

<https://zoom.us/j/93641432194>

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**Directors Present**

M. Jones, S. Odo, S. Thompson

**Directors Absent**

S. Bhojani, T. Stevens

**Guests Present**

E. Lee, S. Cognetta

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Call the Meeting to Order**

S. Odo called a meeting of the board of directors of Allegiance STEAM Academy to order on Tuesday Feb 11, 2025 at 5:35 PM.

**B. Record Attendance**

**C. Pledge of Allegiance**

**D.**

### **Approval of Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting February 11th, 2025**

M. Jones made a motion to Approval of Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting February 11th, 2025, with postponement of Board Focus and Governance Training due to Board attendance.

S. Thompson seconded the motion.

Approval of Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting February 11th, 2025, with postponement of Board Focus and Governance Training due to Board attendance.

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

#### **Roll Call**

S. Thompson Aye

T. Stevens Absent

M. Jones Aye

S. Bhojani Absent

S. Odo Aye

### **E. Honor Deanna Campagna**

Dr. Cognetta honors Deanna Campagna for her dedication to Allegiance STEAM Academy and her amazing years of service in education.

### **F. Student Celebrations**

ASA Chino 1st and 2nd grade Mandarin students in Mrs. Janice Lien's class share poetry and song. The participating students are:

Emery Codero

Mia Figueroa

Travis Zhou

Jackson Sanders

Emerie Sanders

Alexsander Gonzalez

Emery Gonzales

Nelson Dy

Olivia Gaytan

Ellie Valdivia

Moana Bahr

Lucas Hanafi

Hailie Lopez

### **G. Principal Reports**

ASA Chino:

ELOP with all the wonderful activities!

- Beginning our last session

Clash with the Pack

Basketball & Volleyball at SoFi  
Cross Country Dual Meet

- In January
- Vs. Litel Elementary

AI Initiative

- 4 Staff members participating
- Oakland

Chinese New Year - Another amazing Chinese New Year celebration put on by Mrs. Janice! Everyone was so appreciative!

- Grade level & teacher dances

Instruction Partners

- PLN Cycle Celebration
- Walkthroughs including teachers

Learn With Me TV

- Gancz & Guillen - Congrats! We can't wait to see their episode.
- Air on PBS
- SBCSS

MS Dance - Wonderful event! Huge thanks to PACK, parent volunteers, and Leadership for all their hard work.

Friendship Grams

Organized by 7th Grade leadership

- Every student gets one.
- Get 3 extra with a hygiene donation

SLCs

- 2/19 & 2/20

End of Trimester 2

ELPAC Testing

ASA Fontana

Clash with the Pack

- The event was a fabulous success this weekend!
- Special thanks to staff from Chino who made the trip to support.

- Huge shoutout to our PACK for their hard work on decorations and the snack bar!

#### Last Session of Club

- Grateful for our paras, proctors, and teachers making these opportunities possible for students. Practically every staff member is involved in leading, tutoring, or supporting the ELOP program – thank you!
- Special thanks to Carmen for overseeing the program and keeping everything running smoothly.

#### Friendship Grams & Leadership Team

- PACK has been working hard to support the Friendship Grams initiative.
- Our Leadership Team has been actively involved in making this successful.

#### Black History Month – Morning Live Assemblies

- Big shoutout to our enrichment teachers for leading Morning Live Assemblies!

#### Chinese New Year Celebration tomorrow!

- Rain or shine, we are making it happen.
- A huge thank you to our parent volunteers for their crucial support.

#### Student-Led Conferences (SLC)

- Teachers are working hard to prepare for SLCs.
- Students are actively preparing to showcase their learning.

#### Instructional Partnerships Walkthrough-Math, Reading and Phonics

### **H. PACK Reports**

ASA Chino Pack given by Mrs. Holt

Movie Night: Fun night. Looking forward to planning more.

Middle School Dance: Leadership helped plan. Amazing job!

Color Run is coming up & in the planning stages. A 6th grader to design the Color Run tee shirt.

Huge Thank you to all that help support our amazing PACK!

ASA Fontana PACK - update not provided

### **I. CEO Report**

CEO Updates:

Partnerships:

1. **Silicon Schools Fund - Charter Accelerator Network - hosted leaders from Tulsa, OKC, Austin**
2. CDE: Fontana awarded the PCSGP Waiver +\$216K for this fiscal year
3. Cal Poly Pomona - submitted Grant App Teacher Residency Implementation Grant

Authorizers:

1. FUSD: Notice of Violation (NOV) - completing NOV requirements prior to the deadline of March 18
2. CVUSD: addressing CVUSD's concern re intra-org borrowing, including tonight's agenda's resolutions
3. Community Forums held at each site over the past weeks to discuss NOV and ASA's response- Thank you to community members in attendance

Enrollment:

1. Chino: 958 (960 in Jan; 2 offers out)

Fontana: 271; (264 in Jan; 3 offers out); 17% increase (last year was a 48% increase)

Lottery:

1. Fontana - tomorrow, Feb 12 Grades 2, 3, 4, 6 (116 applications received)
2. Chino - Feb 25 All Grades (415 applications received)

Other items:

Special Board Meeting in March needed - March 10 board meeting conflicts with CCSA conference

Agenda:

24-25 Calendar - Promotion Date

Audit Findings (Chino)

- ELOP
- Mode of Instruction- Valid Certification
- Independent Studies

## **J. Public Comments - Items not on the Agenda**

No public comments

## **II. Items Scheduled for Consent**

### **A.**

### **Approve Minutes**

S. Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors on 01-13-25.

M. Jones seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

M. Jones     Aye  
T. Stevens   Absent  
S. Thompson  Aye  
S. Odo       Aye  
S. Bhojani   Absent

### **B. Approve Check Registrar**

M. Jones made a motion to Approved check register.

S. Odo seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

S. Odo       Aye  
T. Stevens   Absent  
S. Thompson  Aye  
S. Bhojani   Absent  
M. Jones     Aye

### **C. Revision 2024-25 ASA Fontana School Calendar**

S. Thompson made a motion to Revision 2024-25 ASA Fontana School Calendar.

S. Odo seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

S. Thompson  Aye  
S. Bhojani   Absent  
M. Jones     Aye  
T. Stevens   Absent  
S. Odo       Aye

### **D. ASA Chino 2025-26 School Calendar**

M. Jones made a motion to ASA Chino 2025-26 School Calendar.

S. Thompson seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

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

**Roll Call**

S. Bhojani Absent  
S. Thompson Aye

**E. ASA Fontana 2025-26 School Calendar**

S. Odo made a motion to ASA Fontana 2025-26 School Calendar.  
S. Thompson seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

S. Thompson Aye  
T. Stevens Absent  
M. Jones Aye  
S. Odo Aye  
S. Bhojani Absent

**F. 2023-24 CLA Independent Auditor's Report**

M. Jones made a motion to 2023-24 CLA Independent Auditor's Report.  
S. Thompson seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

M. Jones Aye  
S. Bhojani Absent  
S. Thompson Aye  
S. Odo Aye  
T. Stevens Absent

**III. Governance**

**A. Governance Training - Procopio**

Governance Training - Procopio : Postponed

\*(See above) Approval of Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting February 11th, 2025, with postponement of Board Focus and Governance Training due to Board attendance.

**B. Title IX Update**

Title IX Update - Governance Training - Procopio : Postponed

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**IV. Items Scheduled for Discussion or Action**

**A. Request for Allowance of Attendance Due to Emergency Conditions**

Discussion for Request for Allowance of Attendance Due to Emergency Conditions

**B. 2023-24 School Accountability Report Card - Chino**

S. Thompson made a motion to 2023-24 School Accountability Report Card - Chino.

M. Jones seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

T. Stevens Absent

M. Jones Aye

S. Thompson Aye

S. Odo Aye

S. Bhojani Absent

**C. 2023-24 School Accountability Report Card - Fontana**

M. Jones made a motion to 2023-24 School Accountability Report Card - Fontana.

S. Odo seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

S. Bhojani Absent

T. Stevens Absent

S. Odo Aye

S. Thompson Aye

M. Jones Aye

**D. 2024-25 Mid-Year LCAP Update Chino**

S. Thompson made a motion to 2024-25 Mid-Year LCAP Update Chino.

M. Jones seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

M. Jones Aye

S. Odo Aye

S. Thompson Aye

S. Bhojani Absent

T. Stevens Absent

**E. 2024-25 Mid-Year LCAP Update Fontana**

M. Jones made a motion to 2024-25 Mid-Year LCAP Update Fontana.

S. Odo seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

T. Stevens Absent

S. Thompson Aye

M. Jones Aye

**Roll Call**

S. Bhojani Absent  
S. Odo Aye

**F. Prop 39 Facilities—Charter School Response to District Offer**

S. Odo made a motion to Prop 39 Facilities—Charter School Response to District Offer.  
M. Jones seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

M. Jones Aye  
S. Thompson Aye  
S. Odo Aye  
T. Stevens Absent  
S. Bhojani Absent

**G. Resolution: Amendment to Intraorganizational Loan Agreement**

S. Odo made a motion to Resolution: Amendment to Intraorganizational Loan Agreement.  
M. Jones seconded the motion.  
Discussion Resolution: Amendment to Intraorganizational Loan Agreement, including repayment structure.

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

**Roll Call**

S. Odo Aye  
S. Bhojani Absent  
S. Thompson Aye  
M. Jones Aye  
T. Stevens Absent

**H. Resolution: Intraorganizational Due-To/Due-From Agreement**

M. Jones made a motion to Resolution: Intraorganizational Due-To/Due-From Agreement.  
S. Odo seconded the motion.  
Discussion on Resolution: Intraorganizational Due-To/Due-From Agreement.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

S. Thompson Aye  
S. Bhojani Absent  
T. Stevens Absent  
S. Odo Aye  
M. Jones Aye

**V. Finance**

**A. FY24 Budget - ASA Chino**

S. Thompson made a motion to FY24 Budget - ASA Chino.

M. Jones seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

T. Stevens	Absent
S. Odo	Aye
S. Bhojani	Absent
M. Jones	Aye
S. Thompson	Aye

**B. FY24 Budget - ASA Fontana**

S. Thompson made a motion to FY24 Budget - ASA Fontana.

M. Jones seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

M. Jones	Aye
S. Bhojani	Absent
T. Stevens	Absent
S. Odo	Aye
S. Thompson	Aye

**VI. Communications**

**A. Communications - Comments from the CEO**

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A special thank you to Mrs. Janice Lien and her wonderful 1st and 2nd grade Mandarin students for their delightful poetry, singing, and dancing performance! It was a beautiful example of what ASA is all about: students learning new skills outside their native language, fostering growth, and opening doors to new aspects of the world.

We also extend our sincere gratitude to the Board for their time and diligent efforts in reviewing the Resolutions to Amend the Intraorganizational Loan Agreement and the Intraorganizational Due-To/Due-From Agreement, including the repayment structure. Their thorough questions and thoughtful consideration are greatly appreciated.

Finally, thank you to our community and staff for your continued support.

**B. Communications - Comments from the Board of Directors**

Communications - Comments from the Board of Directors

S. Thompson: Looking forward to the upcoming SLCs. The new pick-up and drop-off system is working very smoothly, which is great to see. The Middle School dance was a resounding success! Thank you to everyone involved for their hard work in making these events so positive

M. Jones: A huge thank you to PACK for all their amazing work! She encourages everyone to attend the PACK meeting tomorrow morning in Chino if you're able. The Movie Night and Middle School dance were both fantastic events. Thank you to our Fontana campus for hosting the football game and for the wonderful snack bar! It was a fun event that truly highlighted how we are all one big ASA family, regardless of campus. A special shout-out to Mr. Alex for his tireless efforts! We're looking forward to SLCs and are so appreciative of all our staff.

S. Odo: A big thank you to the Fontana PACK! Though Mrs. Odo was unable to attend, her son had a wonderful time at the football game and enjoyed the snack bar. The Middle School dance was a huge success, and the kids had a blast. The new pick-up and drop-off system has been running incredibly smoothly. Thank you, Dr. Cognetta, for explaining the financials and answering all the questions. And finally, thank you to all our staff for your hard work and going the extra mile to make ASA such an amazing place.

## VII. Closing Items

### A. Adjourn Meeting

S. Thompson made a motion to Adjourn Meeting.

M. Jones seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

S. Bhojani Absent

T. Stevens Absent

M. Jones Aye

S. Thompson Aye

S. Odo Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. Lee

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## Documents used during the meeting

- December 2024 -ASA-Board Summary (2).pdf
- Fontana 24-25 Academic Calendar \_ DRAFT (2).pdf

- 2025-26 DRAFT Academic .pdf
- 2025-26 DRAFT Academic .pdf
- Allegiance STEAM Academy 2024 Signed Final Governance Communication (3).pdf
- Allegiance STEAM Academy 2024 Signed Final Report and Financial Statements (2).pdf
- j13a ASA Fontana Sep 9-13 2024.pdf
- j13a ASAC 1\_8\_25 (1).pdf
- SOE\_Palisades-Fire\_1-7-25\_Formatted.pdf
- 1.11.24-SOE-Airport-and-Bridges-Fires.pdf
- 2025\_LCAP\_Mid-Year\_Monitoring\_Report\_for\_the\_2024-25\_LCAP\_Allegiance\_STEAM\_Academy\_-\_Thrive\_(Chino)\_20250208 (3).pdf
- 2025\_LCAP\_Mid-Year\_Monitoring\_Report\_for\_the\_2024-25\_LCAP\_Allegiance\_STEAM\_Academy\_-\_Thrive\_(Fontana)\_20250208 (1).pdf
- ASA Response to Jan 28, 2025 CVUSD Preliminary Proposal of Facilities.pdf
- ASA\_ DRAFT Amendment to Intraorganizational Loan Agreement.pdf
- Resolution Of The Board Of Directors Of Allegiance STEAM Academy INC. To Approve Amendment To Intraorganizational Loan Agreement and To Approve Intraorganizational Due-To:Due-From Agreement.pdf
- ASA\_ DRAFT Intraorganizational Due-To\_Due-From Agreement.pdf
- Resolution Of The Board Of Directors Of Allegiance STEAM Academy INC. To Approve Amendment To Intraorganizational Loan Agreement and To Approve Intraorganizational Due-To:Due-From Agreement.pdf
- RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of Allegiance STEAM Academy INC. Regarding 2024-25 Intraorganizational Due-To:Froms.pdf
- December 2024 -ASA-Board Summary (2).pdf
- December 2024 -ASA-Board Summary (2).pdf

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