



# Las Américas ASPIRA Academy

## **Minutes**

## ADCO Board Meeting with Executive Session

Public Session begins @ 6pm

#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday October 22, 2025 at 5:45 PM

#### Location

ASPIRA Academy 326 Ruthar Drive Newark, DE 19711

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#### **Vision**

To develop ASPIRANTES who are biliterate influencers and decision makers.

#### **Mission**

To educate and empower each ASPIRANTE to realize their full potential and positively impact their communities.

#### **Equity Statement**

We commit to:

- Identify and dismantle <u>systemic inequities</u> within education that contribute to <u>opportunity gaps</u> for our students.
- Create a <u>culture of caring</u> that embraces all the <u>identities</u> of our school community members and provides a sense of belonging for all.

#### **Directors Present**

A. Ben Addi (remote), A. Chávez (remote), C. Dipres (remote), D. Curry (remote), E. Diaz (remote), G. Gonzalez (remote), J. Lawrence (remote), P. Viera, Jr. (remote), R. Redden-Huff (remote)

#### **Directors Absent**

M. Casanova, R. Miranda

#### **Ex Officio Members Present**

K. Cruz (remote)

#### **Non Voting Members Present**

K. Cruz (remote)

#### **Guests Present**

G. Panchisin (remote), Joe Manfre - Barbacane Thornton & Company (remote), M. Lopez-Waite (remote), Tim Sawyer - Barbacane Thornton & Company (remote)

## I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

## B. Call the Meeting to Order

G. Gonzalez called a meeting of the board of directors of Las Américas ASPIRA Academy to order on Wednesday Oct 22, 2025 at 5:47 PM.

#### C. Vote to enter Executive Session

- P. Viera, Jr. made a motion to enter Executive Session.
- R. Redden-Huff seconded the motion.

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

## **II. Executive Session**

#### A. Strategic Planning

The Board discussed strategic planning.

#### B. Vote to Return to Public Session

- E. Diaz made a motion to to return to Public Session.
- D. Curry seconded the motion.

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

## III. Approval of Meeting Agenda and Meeting Minutes

#### A. Approval of October Meeting Agenda

- E. Diaz made a motion to approve October Meeting agenda.
- J. Lawrence seconded the motion.

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

#### **B.** Approve September Meeting Minutes

- R. Redden-Huff made a motion to approve the minutes from ADCO Board Meeting with Executive Session on 09-24-25.
- D. Curry seconded the motion.

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

#### IV. FY25 Financial Audit

## A. Audit Review by Joseph Manfre, CPA - Barbacane Thornton & Company

Auditors T. Sawyer and J. Manfre provided the results of the FY 2025 Financial Audit.

## B. Vote to approve FY 25 Financial Audit

- C. Dipres made a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2025 Financial Audit pending the approval of the Single Audit.
- P. Viera, Jr. seconded the motion.

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

#### V. Finance

#### A. Financial Report

K. Cruz presented the monthly financial report for September 2025.

## **B.** Approval of Financial Report

- P. Viera, Jr. made a motion to approve the September 2025 financial report.
- J. Lawrence seconded the motion.

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

#### VI. Operations

#### A. Operations Update

G. Panchisin provided the operations report.

## VII. Development

## A. Development Update

E. Diaz presented the Development update.

#### VIII. Con Cariño & PTO

## A. PTO Report

P. Viera gave the report.

#### IX. CEO

## A. CEO Report

M. Lopez Waite provided the CEO report

## X. 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 7:26 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. Chávez