



Athlos Jefferson Parish

Minutes

AAJP Governance Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Monday September 15, 2025 at 5:30 PM

Location

Athlos Academy of Jefferson Parish

[979 Behrman Hwy.](#)

[Terrytown, LA 70056](#)

Virtual Option:

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Committee Members Present

B. Bressler (remote), J. Holmes (remote), J. Washington (remote), J. Wright (remote), K. Wheeler (remote), S. DiSimone (remote)

Committee Members Absent

A. Acuna, J. Sparks, N. Anthony, S. Darensbourg, T. Harrison, Z. Bracok

Guests Present

Ms. Johnson (remote), T. Tate (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Washington called a meeting of the Governance Committee Committee of Athlos Jefferson Parish to order on Monday Sep 15, 2025 at 5:36 PM.

II. Governance Committee

A. Review the policy edits from the checklist

Sarah presented the most recent appeal process edits to the Discipline & Expulsion Policy. The committee discussed the hearing officer role and assignment. They asked that we research who other type 2 charters use as their hearing officer and what resources the state offers for the hearing officer.

B. Set 3 Committee Goals for the Year

1. Create a Board Handbook.
2. Finalize the update of all policies in alignment with the state checklist.
3. Revise Safety Crisis Plan.
4. Review other policies that are in need of updating.
5. Review that all job descriptions and evaluations are complete for all positions and accessible to board members. (determine committee this falls under)

C. Review categories to include in the Board Handbook

The committee discussed the sample handbook chapters to determine which to include in the handbook we are creating.

We could consider storing everything in the "Documents" section of Board on Track.

Goal: Make this a resource for Athlos Board members (not repeat information from other resources). Highlight the unique Athlos topics, include a quick summary on the external resources with links to collect further detail.

- Chapter 1 - mission, vision, pillars
- Chapter 2/3 - Effective Governance / School Board Governance Basics - Include wording from Bulletin 126, our charter agreement, and Board on Track. Include link to other resources.
- Process for joining Athlos Board
- Board Member Commitment referral
- Board Member Voting process link referral
- Resources to Link:
 - Bylaws
 - Bulletin 126
 - Charter Agreement

III. Closing Items

A. Topics for next/future meeting(s)

Consider reviewing the ongoing training process for board members with accountability measures. Maybe an executive committee function?

Check the requirement in the bylaws.

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Washington