

The Academy of Alameda Charter School Board

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday September 28, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Directors Present

A. Price (remote), C. Robie (remote), D. Forbes (remote), K. Welch (remote), K. Zimmerman (remote), R. Brown (remote), R. Whittaker, T. Ruiz (remote), W. Schaff (remote)

Directors Absent

None

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

R. Whittaker

Guests Present

Ken Yale (remote), M. Huxley (remote), T. Ammar (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Forbes called a meeting of the board of directors of The Academy of Alameda Charter School Board to order on Tuesday Sep 28, 2021 at 6:03 PM.

B. Record Board Member Attendance (Roll Call)

No Public Comments.

R. Whittaker arrived at 6:09 PM.

C. Zoom Meeting Agreements and Protocol

D. The Board Reviews The Academy of Alameda's Mission and Envisioned Future Statements

E. General Public Comments

There were no public comments.

II. Communication

A. Board Member Discussion On Possible Growth In the Future

In order to prepare for the upcoming Executive Director interviews, in which there is a very good possibility that candidates would ask the interview team about their thoughts on potential growth for The Academy of Alameda, the Board of Directors engaged in a conversation guided by the following essential questions:

- What are the benefits and challenges offered by each model of potential expansion? Of remaining the same size in the future?
- To what extent, if any, does the Board support the future expansion of AoA? Why or why not? Which models are of greatest interest to Board members for future exploration, if any?
- In what ways, if any, might the Board want the new Executive Director to provide leadership for future expansion? What qualifications, skills, and experiences would this require of potential ED candidates?
- What questions are ED candidates most likely to ask about future AoA expansion? How will the Board respond given their diversity of perspectives and the limited conversations to date?

There was consensus amongst Board members that possible future growth would only be in the future after deeply engaging all stakeholder groups. The current Board indicated that it wants improved outcomes for both school programs before engaging in discussions about potential growth although there was consensus that The Academy of Alameda should add a TK class prior to be being required by the state in 2026.

III. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Board President David Forbes adjourned the meeting at 9pm. There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, D. Forbes