



# THE ACADEMY OF ALAMEDA

## The Academy of Alameda Charter School Board

### Minutes

#### Board Meeting

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##### **Date and Time**

Thursday January 14, 2021 at 6:30 PM

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##### **Directors Present**

A. Price (remote), C. Robie (remote), D. Forbes (remote), K. Zimmerman (remote), Q. Chu (remote), R. Brown, R. Whittaker (remote), W. Schaff (remote)

##### **Directors Absent**

*None*

##### **Directors who arrived after the meeting opened**

R. Brown, W. Schaff

##### **Guests Present**

S. Hottinger (remote), S. Ivery (remote), T. Ammar (remote)

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#### **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 Thursday Jan 14, 2021 at 6:31 PM.

##### **B. Zoom Meeting Agreements and Protocol**

##### **C. Record Board Member Attendance (Roll Call)**

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

C. Robie read AoA's mission and vision.

**E. General Public Comments**

No public comment.

**II. Consent Agenda**

**A. 12/15 Board Meeting Minutes**

R. Whittaker made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 12-15-20.

Q. Chu seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Price	Aye
K. Zimmerman	Aye
Q. Chu	Aye
D. Forbes	Aye
W. Schaff	Absent
C. Robie	Aye
R. Whittaker	Aye
R. Brown	Absent

**B. Check Register & Credit Card Statement**

**C. Vote on Consent Agenda**

R. Whittaker made a motion to Approve minutes and table item B. "Register & Credit Card Statement".

Q. Chu seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

R. Whittaker	Aye
K. Zimmerman	Aye
R. Brown	Absent
C. Robie	Aye
W. Schaff	Absent
A. Price	Aye
D. Forbes	Aye
Q. Chu	Aye

**III. Board Communications**

**A.**

### **Board Member Reports**

C. Robie - Nothing to report  
R. Whittaker - Last month Alameda Arts donated art projects to AoA.  
K. Zimmerman - Nothing to report  
A. Price - Nothing to report  
Q. Chu - Nothing to report  
D. Forbes - the state of California announced a save schools for all hub  
schools.covid19.ca.gov

### **B. Board Committee Reports**

R. Whittaker - Fundraising/marketing committee - M. Huxley sent in a grant proposal for additional math funding for both the Elementary school and Middle School. The new website will launch by the end of January. AoA will start working with Larson Communications on a marketing strategy. ED and R. Whittaker will meet to decide on the new AoA logo.  
Q. Chu - nothing to report.

### **C. Presentation on AoA's Lottery Preferences**

M. Huxley presented on AoA Lottery Preferences for the 2021/2022 school year. More data will be presented at the September, 2021 Board meeting and the Executive Director will make a recommendation if there should be any changes to the current lottery language regarding enrollment preferences.

### **D. The Academy of Alameda's General Plan to Reopen Schools**

M. Huxley presented on AoA's general plan to reopen schools for the 2020/2021 school year.  
R. Brown arrived.

## **IV. Action Items**

### **A. 2020/21 Reopening of Schools Phase-in Recommendation from the Executive Director**

C. Robie made a motion to AoA's Board of Directors votes to rescind its reopening recommendation at the November 19, 2020 meeting due to heightened COVID-19 case and test positivity rates, and adopts the following approach when considering any possible onsite phase-in plans for the rest of the 2020/21 school year: AMENDMENT: The Executive Director will communicate reopening plans to families at two weeks in advance of phasing in students to onsite learning if it is able to meet its established reopening criteria including: the safety of students and staff, its ability to establish an effective instructional plan, and the sustainability of that plan on students and staff.

R. Whittaker seconded the motion.

AMENDMENT: The Academy will communicate reopening two weeks in advance.

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

**Roll Call**

R. Whittaker     Aye  
Q. Chu            Aye  
W. Schaff        Absent  
K. Zimmerman   Aye  
R. Brown         Aye  
D. Forbes        Aye  
C. Robie          Aye  
A. Price          Aye  
W. Schaff arrived.

**V. Closing Items**

**A. Preview 1/24 Board Retreat Topics**

M. Huxley discussed board retreat topics:

**B. Adjourn Meeting**

W. Schaff made a motion to Adjourn meeting.

D. Forbes seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

R. Brown         Aye  
A. Price          Aye  
W. Schaff        Aye  
K. Zimmerman   Aye  
D. Forbes        Aye  
Q. Chu            Aye  
R. Whittaker     Aye  
C. Robie          Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

D. Forbes