



# The Academy of Alameda Charter School Board

## **Minutes**

## **Board Meeting**

#### **Date and Time**

Thursday January 25, 2024 at 6:30 PM

#### **Directors Present**

A. Price, C. Robie, D. Forbes, J. Thompson, K. McCoy, T. Ruiz, W. Schaff

## **Directors Absent**

R. Rentschler

#### **Guests Present**

A. Gilcrease, C. Chilcott, D. Espinosa

#### I. Opening Items

## A. Call the Meeting to Order

W. Schaff called a meeting of the board of directors of The Academy of Alameda Charter School Board to order on Thursday Jan 25, 2024 at 6:32 PM.

- **B.** Record Attendance
- C. Public Comment on Closed Session Item

## **II. Open Session**

A.

#### Report Out Any Actions Taken In Closed Session

 The board decided to support the AoA's staff's decision to keep student #90860 in the 7th grade.

#### **B.** Public Comment

#### III. Consent Agenda

## A. Approve Draft Meeting Minutes

- C. Robie made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 12-20-23.
- A. Price seconded the motion.

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

## **B.** Check Registers

#### C. Credit Card Statements

#### D. Vote on Consent Agenda

- C. Robie made a motion to approve the consent agenda.
- A. Price seconded the motion.

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

#### **IV. Board Communication**

#### A. Financial Updates

- J. Yang advised no new funding sources coming in. This years COLA will be a lot lower.
- C. Robie asked if with TK there would be any additional funding. J. Yang advised that this would be an increase in students enrolled but not any additional money.

### **B.** Attendance Presentation

T. Centeno began by advising there is no recipe for student attendance. She advised that for attendance a student connection is the most important thing. The district normally sends the truancy letters after 3 days out whether they know the reason why or not, however, this is not what is done here, we investigate and when a truancy letter there is also a letter stating why they are receiving it and what they can do to avoid receiving them. T. Centeno advised of the process done when a student is absent or truant and how they are given support and advised all the ways.

### C. Enrollment Update

C. Chilcott gave an overview of the current enrollment status. She advised schools around us are also having trouble with enrollment so it is not just AoA.

She advised that in Kinder and in 6th grade our applications for this year compared to the applications at this time last year are basically the same, which gives the idea that it we are doing well.

D. Forbes asked if there is a benefit in doing the lottery for Alameda residents and then doing one for Oakland residents separately. He was wondering if the spike in AoA searches in the summer is due to new Alameda residents coming during the summer.

## **D. Board Committee Reports**

- Finance Committee- nothing to report.
- Student Success- 1st very rough draft of a school profile.
- Governance Committee- Meeting on Monday to review bylaws and about a dozen school policies

#### V. Action Item

#### A. School Accountability Report Card (SARC)

- C. Robie made a motion to accept that the Student Accountability Report Card for The Academy of Alameda was posted on the State of California's SARC website by the February 1, 2024 deadline as required.
- J. Thompson seconded the motion.

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

#### B. Approval of Floating Holidays

- A. Price made a motion to approve four additional floating holidays for a total of 7 floating holidays for non-exempt employees effective February 1, 2024.
- C. Robie seconded the motion.

Need clarification of dates vs hours.

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

#### Roll Call

C. Robie Aye
D. Forbes Abstain
K. McCoy Aye
J. Thompson Aye
T. Ruiz Aye
W. Schaff Aye
A. Price Aye

R. Rentschler Absent

## VI. Closing Items

#### A. Individual Board Member Reports

Board retreat will be held at 8:30 am and will go until 2:30 with a working lunch and homework.

## **B.** Executive Director Report

## C. Upcoming Board Meetings

## D. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:42 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, W. Schaff