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The Academy of Alameda Charter School Board

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday October 22, 2025 at 6:30 PM

Location
AoA Room 203

Directors Present
A. Price, C. Robie, D. Forbes, J. Laird, K. McCoy, R. Rentschler, W. Schaff

Directors Absent
None

Guests Present
A. McGeorge, C. Chilcott, D. Espinosa, N. Stewart (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 Wednesday Oct 22, 2025 at 6:35 PM.

B. Record Attendance

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

II. Open Session

A. Public Comment

A. Schlenk spoke about the difficulties of increasing the class size from 26 to 30 students.

III. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Draft Meeting Minutes

K. McCoy made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 09-25-25.
W. Schaff seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

K. McCoy	Aye
J. Laird	Aye
D. Forbes	Aye
C. Robie	Aye
W. Schaff	Aye
A. Price	Aye
R. Rentschler	Aye

B. Approve Draft Meeting Minutes

K. McCoy made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Board Meeting on 10-09-25.
W. Schaff seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

K. McCoy	Aye
W. Schaff	Aye
R. Rentschler	Aye
A. Price	Aye
C. Robie	Aye
D. Forbes	Aye
J. Laird	Aye

C. Vote on Check Registers

D. Vote on Credit Card Statement

E. Vote on Consent Calendar

K. McCoy made a motion to approve all of the above items in the consent agenda as is.
W. Schaff seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

C. Robie	Aye
A. Price	Aye
J. Laird	Aye
W. Schaff	Aye
D. Forbes	Aye
K. McCoy	Aye
R. Rentschler	Aye

IV. Board Communication

A. Vote on the Universal Meals Policy

C. Robie made a motion to approve the Universal Meals Policy as it is presented.
A. Price seconded the motion.
C. Chilcott advised that it is a policy we need to have but has not been in place and it is free meals for all students and is then reimbursed by the government
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

D. Forbes	Aye
R. Rentschler	Aye
W. Schaff	Aye
C. Robie	Aye
A. Price	Aye
K. McCoy	Aye
J. Laird	Aye

B. Financial Presentation and Discussion

N. Stewart provided a detailed update on AoA's financial current standing. J. Laird asked if that 678 amount is holding steady. R. Rentschler said a lot of the money being low or losing out on is in 6th grade, he asked if that is normal. C. Chilcott advised that for the previous 2 years it had gone up but surprisingly this year this decrease came out of nowhere but an influx in 7th grade. R. Rentschler advised that the state budget is a rollercoster hence cannot predict exactly what will happen. C. Robie advised her question is what caused the 16 students in 6th grade to leave? She advised we need to identify what is the decision or reason in which those decided not to stay with AoA. She also advised we may have to look at over-enrolling. W. Schaff advised that these numbers show us an outlook so that we can see what is to be expected in the future years to come.

C. Academic Presentation

A. McGeorge advised of the update for the academic reports for this year thus far. Both J. Laird and A. Price showed appreciation for the work done both in the school and in the

presentation. K. McCoy asked A. McGeorge if she has seen anything that stands out in AoA vs other schools. A. McGeorge advised of the attention given to students and how intentional the support is. She advised the parents and families notice this and are in the know of everything. W. Schaff advised that the Tier 2 and Tier 3 interventions were what stood out to him and wanted to say what a great job is being done to promote that. C. Robie advised that we do really great work and is wondering how we set targets. R. Rentschler advised that in some environments we get complacent and then we don't progress as much but rather have a conversation with parents advising them that if their child comes here the longer they are the better they will progress. He said we are too contextually driven but show that being here you can do better the longer you are here and not add too many words. A. Price advised it may not be best to say the longer but rather whenever you get here you will progress and put that out not just to parents but the students as well. She also asked what is the SPED Goalbook. A. McGeorge provided clarification. D. Forbes asked to what extent this information is being presented to co-parents. He also said he would like to see the proficiency level from K-5 and 6-8 to show if it is beneficial to those students who started from TK or K and stayed through vs those who came in after. A. McGeorge and C. Chilcott showed that the numbers do not show everything but rather also the stories showing students' progress.

D. Financial Internal Controls Presentation

C. Chilcott gave a brief overview on the financial internal controls. J. Laird appreciated putting this together and said it will make her a better board member. D. Forbes advised there is no direct way of finding out about lawsuits and wanted to see if there is a better way to share that information to the board. R. Rentschler advised that as a board member he would like the board share being up to ED judgement of how much information to share. C. Chilcott advised that there is no information about sharing it but said a policy should be made for that or a more formal item instead of just being up to discretion. The board also discussed the $25k that the ED is allowed to spend and how that should also be a written policy so as to protect the ED and the Board.

E. Board Committee Reports

Finance committee- spoke about the revised numbers and will look at the parcel tax.

Governance Committee- spoke about how they are trying to get new board members and how now instead of looking for them to reverse it and put it out there and then the board decides who they will add. He spoke about how he spoke to the guy in the journal and can promote it there.

Student Success Committee- C. Robie provided the board with the goals they are aiming for this year.

V. Closing Items

A.

Individual Board Member Reports

D. Forbes reminded the band concert tomorrow and also reminded the board to sign up for the PTA.

B. Executive Director Report

C. Chilcott advised ICE is here and anticipated possible drop in attendance tomorrow. She advised will be giving updates to everyone. She also advised we will be down 3 board members for the following meeting and will possibly ask board members to be here at 6 possibly but will let them know after. Since there is no quorum yet they will cancel the board meeting on the 20th and extend the board meeting on Dec 9th.

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 8:03 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
D. Forbes