APPROVED

The Academy of Alameda Charter School Board

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday December 9, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Location
AoA Room 203

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

Directors Absent
D. Forbes

Guests Present
A. McGeorge, C. Chilcott, D. Espinosa, N. Stewart (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Laird called a meeting of the board of directors of The Academy of Alameda Charter School Board to order on Tuesday Dec 9, 2025 at 6:00 PM.

B. Record Attendance

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

D. Public Comment

II. Public Session

A. Report Out From Closed Session

No action taken in closed session.

B. Public Comment

A. Schlenk commented about how difficult it has been to add more students as her grade was the one that was affected the most.

J. Whatley showed some details about her new involvement in meta and showed how important it is to keep the information updated and provide more engagement.

C. Robie asked if we have a list of students whose parents opt out for the students showing up on the campaigns. C. Chilcott advised we have a list of those who have opted out.

III. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Draft Meeting Minutes

C. Robie made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 10-22-25.
A. Price seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

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

B. Check Registers

C. Credit Card Statements

D. Vote on Consent Agenda

C. Robie made a motion to approve the full consent calendar.
A. Price seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

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

IV. Board Communication

A. Executive Board Slate 25-26

A. Price made a motion to approve the new board slate as presented.
W. Schaff seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

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

B. Audit and First Interim Report

N. Stewart presented the financial reports. She advised that we did have a current net income and increase so far in October. She did advise that February is where we are usually kind of low. She also presented the first interim report submitted. N. Stewart advised of the one audit finding as well as the summary.
R. Rentschler made a motion to approve the FY 25 Audit as presented.
W. Schaff seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

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

W. Schaff made a motion to approve the First Interim Report as presented.
K. McCoy seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

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

C. Special Education Report

P. Cha and A. McGeorge answered any questions about the presentation shared with the board. C. Chilcott advised that on slide 9 there is a correction from 13% to 16%. A. Price wanted to give kudos to the SPED team. K. McCoy asked if there was any successes that they are very proud of. P. Cha said that they are glad they were able to accomplish all of this all while onboarding two new teachers.

D. Identity Report

C. Chilcott advised that we have been working what it means to be a social justice school. J. Whatley said she feels we do not put ourselves out there to show who we really are. She advised that is why she is adding more stuff and pictures to our social media so that it will be readily available for when the parents are looking for schools. C. Robie advised the identity statement needs to be showing that we are a social justice school that values diversity. She also advised that the identity statement needs to be what we speak about and show the proof of that statement with our social media and all of the explanations about what it means to be a social justice school. R. Rentschler advised that he feels our website is pretty clear about what the school stands for. J. Laird asked if the postcards is the first and most close to going out before any other changes. C. Robie asked if the term social justice on the postcard and if it is shown prominently on there to speak on our identity.

E. Discuss Board Retreat Date

J. Laird spoke of the possibility of combining both the Larson training with a short board meeting. A. Price asked if the information was theoretical or actual. C. Chilcott advised that it has to do with what the school stands for. She also advised that homework is given so as to speak about what you have found out about the school and what it stands for and what we want it to stand for. The meeting was proposed for January 31st to start at about 9am.

F. Board Committee Reports

Governance committee- met on Dec 1st and spoke about David as well as the letter going to the journal that speaks about what AoA does and what we stand for. They also spoke about adding a background of the school to the website and interviewing some of

the founding members as well as adding videos to make it more appealing. They also spoke about the agreement with AUSD which comes up in 2027 as it takes a while.

Nothing to report from the Student success committee and the financial committee.

G. Honoring David Forbes

The board went around giving stories about David and what he stood for and believed.

V. Closing Items

A. Individual Board Member Reports

A. Price echoed R. Rentschler's comment praising J. Laird's willingness to step up with the circumstances.

B. Executive Director Report

C. Chilcott wanted to clarify that there would be no Jan 22 board meeting as it will be in the beginning of the board retreat.

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 8:19 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Laird