

APPROVED



The Academy of Alameda Charter School Board

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday February 26, 2026 at 6:30 PM

Location

The Academy of Alameda
401 Pacific Ave
Alameda, CA
AoA Room 203

Directors Present

A. Price, C. Robie, K. McCoy, R. Rentschler

Directors Absent

J. Laird, W. Schaff

Guests Present

C. Chilcott, D. Espinosa, N. Stewart (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

K. McCoy called a meeting of the board of directors of The Academy of Alameda Charter School Board to order on Thursday Feb 26, 2026 at 6:35 PM.

B. Record Attendance

II. Open Session

A. Public Comment

J. Whatley showed pictures of a new plant project that the students are doing showing the home plants they have grown and their greenroom. The board talked about getting an AOA a spot in the local green room.

III. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Draft Meeting Minutes

C. Robie made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 01-31-26.

A. Price seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

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

B. Approve on Board Retreat Minutes

C. Robie made a motion to approve the minutes from Spring Board Retreat on 01-31-26.

A. Price seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

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

C. Check Registers

D. Credit Card Statements

E. Vote on Consent Agenda

C. Robie made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

A. Price seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

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

IV. Board Communication

A. Financial Updates

N. Stewart advised board will be voting on 2nd interim to the district. She also advised of the current financial income and spending thus far in the year.

C. Robie stated that the COLA amount is based on assumption not on fact.

C. Chilcott advised that they were given a lower COLA to be conservative but we were told by the state to make it more accurate to the governor's projection.

R. Rentschler asked if we are affected due to the AUSD strike or what effect it will have on our school. C. Chilcott advised it has not thus far. She did advise that just last year the pay scales were redone so that the schools status is understood by the staff. She also advised she has offered many "ask me about the budget meetings" and few come over and those that do come have specific questions and understand the schools reasoning behind why the decisions are taken.

C. Robie made a motion to approve the 2nd interim as presented.

R. Rentschler seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

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

B. Presentation on LCAP (Local Control Accountability Plan)

C. Chilcott provided a brief overview of what is the LCAP and advised will see again in June.

C. Board Committee Reports

Finance Committee - C. Chilcott advised did not meet this month and still need to follow up with our financial data along with the new enrollment numbers. She advised of a new grant and if it would be beneficial to us with the ADA vs teacher expense and had

originally decided against it but the committee is looking back into it to see if it would be beneficial to us.

Student Success Committee - Did meet today and had a new parent join the committee. They spoke about social justice and what that means for the school and possibilities of what that would look like here in AoA.

Governance Committee - Did not meet.

V. Closing Items

A. Individual Board Member Reports

B. Executive Director Report

SPED director left his position and we are currently in 2nd panel interviewing today.

We are in enrollment phase, put out 146 offers and 120 accepted and 80 enrolled. We are pushing marketing to target middle school since we need more of a push to enroll more middle school. She advised we have a waitlist of 48 for TK students and only 40 spots that have already been filled. She advised that we are the only full day TK school for free, most offer half a day for free and pay for the other half of the day.

C. Robie asked what is the result of not filling our middle school spots. C. Chilcott advised it affects our funding. She also advised that the PTSA has taken a lot of advertising and promoting for more students by inviting them over to come see.

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 7:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
K. McCoy