



Alma del Mar

Governance Committee

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Date and Time

Monday May 12, 2025 at 10:00 AM EDT

Location

Virtual, on Zoom

<https://almadelmar-org.zoom.us/j/6731716522?pwd=VW1mQmZzV0JyQVZrR01KbjNKRURGdz09>

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			10:00 AM
A. Record Attendance		Gail Fortes	1 m
B. Call the Meeting to Order		Gail Fortes	1 m
C. Approve Minutes	Approve Minutes	Gail Fortes	1 m
II. Governance			10:03 AM
A. Potential New Board Members	Discuss	Gail Fortes	5 m

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• Update on any other potential new members			
B. Committee Recruitment	Discuss	Gail Fortes	5 m
• Discuss status of committee recruitment and needs			
C. Board Attendance Policy Review	Discuss	Taylor DeLoach	2 m
• Confirm that all feedback has been given			
• Will vote on draft policy at Board mtg			
D. Equity Plan Implementation	Discuss	Chauneen Wood	5 m
• Update from Leah			
E. Renewal Process - Board Preparation	Discuss	Taylor DeLoach	10 m

Charter School Performance Criteria

Version 4.3 (November 2022)

Criterion 9: Governance

Members of the board of trustees meet their responsibilities under Massachusetts law and act as responsible public agents, providing competent and appropriate governance that ensures the success and sustainability of the school.

Key indicators include but are not limited to:

- 1. Legal and Fiduciary Responsibilities:**
2. Board of trustee members are active and engaged; know and fulfill their legal responsibilities and obligations; exercise their fiduciary duties of care and loyalty; comply with the board's bylaws; and always act in the best interests of the school community.
3. The board of trustees demonstrates appropriate oversight of the charter school administration, financial health, progress towards meeting academic and other goals consistent with the mission and other terms of the charter and does so without managing the day-to-day operations of the school. This includes hiring, evaluating, and removing, if necessary, qualified personnel or management organization (if applicable) to manage the charter school's day-to-day operations and holds these parties accountable for meeting specified goals.
4. **Culture of Collaboration:** The board of trustees has clear and well-understood systems for decision-making and communication processes; board of trustee's

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	meetings are designed to foster open, deliberate, and thorough discussions that facilitate and ensure public accountability.		
5. Focus on Improvement:	The board of trustees engages in strategic and continuous improvement planning by setting, and regularly monitoring progress relative to, priorities and goals that are aligned with the school's mission, vision, and educational philosophy. This includes ensuring sustainability of the school by establishing clear processes for board of trustees and school leadership succession; and recruiting, selecting, orienting and training members with skills, expertise, and connections to the community that enables the board of trustees to sustain an excellent school. The board of trustees regularly reviews disaggregated student data to ensure that the school's academic program is a success for all students.		
III. Other Business			
IV. Closing Items			10:30 AM
A. Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Gail Fortes	1 m