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Alma del Mar

Minutes

Alma del Mar Board of Trustees

Date and Time
Wednesday June 17, 2026 at 5:30 PM

Anti-Racism Statement: Alma del Mar strives to be an anti-racist institution. We seek to dismantle racist and white supremacist structures in pursuit of justice and racial equity. We will fight against racism when we encounter it both within and outside of our school community. We will actively work to ensure that all of our community members, including scholars, families, and staff, feel included, celebrated and empowered. By resisting racism and white supremacy, we will lay the foundation to challenge all forms of oppression. ***Please read the Equity Lens Guidelines in the Opening Items below before the meeting.***

Zoom link: https://almadelmar-org.zoom.us/j/6731716522?pwd=X5ctzQdG14IwjO0FPXUE6SHaeYscb8.1

Trustees Present
C. Bator (remote), C. Holley (remote), D. Prentiss (remote), J. Fox (remote), J. Korn (remote), J. Wallace (remote)

Trustees Absent
C. Wood, D. Melo, M. Rosa, M. Rosario

Trustees who left before the meeting adjourned
C. Holley

Guests Present

D. Curtin (remote), T. DeLoach (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Equity Lens Guidelines

B. Record Attendance

C. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Prentiss called a meeting of the board of trustees of Alma del Mar to order on Wednesday Jun 17, 2026 at 5:48 PM.
Taylor did an early introduction of the new Director of Communications and Advancement, Don Curtin.

Don Curtin introduced himself and gave information about his background.

D. Approve Board Meeting Minutes

C. Holley made a motion to approve the minutes from Alma del Mar Board of Trustees on 05-20-26.
J. Korn seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

C. Bator	Aye
C. Wood	Absent
M. Rosa	Absent
D. Prentiss	Aye
C. Holley	Aye
M. Rosario	Absent
J. Fox	Aye
J. Wallace	Abstain
J. Korn	Aye
D. Melo	Absent

E. Vote to Approve Charles Holley Resignation

Dave Prentiss and the committee accepted the resignation of Charles Holley. Charles thanked the committee and commented on what he plans on doing next.
D. Prentiss made a motion to Accept Charles Holley's Resignation.
J. Korn seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
C. Holley left at 5:53 PM.

II. Executive Director Report

A. June 2026 Board Dashboard

Taylor DeLoach discussed the dashboard moving forward. She included that all stats are moving in a good direction and recruitment was going well. John asked about the spike of out of school suspensions at Ottiwell school, and Taylor explained that it occurred due to one incident that involved numerous middle school scholars, causing the number to jump.

B. Executive Director's Report

Taylor DeLoach stated we had a wonderful end to the year with the eighth grade graduations. The rest of the repost talks about the open roles as well as the roles that were filled. One note on facilities was about the church street facility, that it will be going up for sale and that we are waiting for that process to go through before moving toward purchasing.

Taylor DeLoach stated we are about to get into extended school time in July.

C. Strategic Plan Priority Initiatives 2026-2027

Taylor DeLoach talked about the strategic priorities for the upcoming year. She also outlined initiatives that will be prioritized going into the next school year to accomplish the strategic goals. She hopes to develop a K-8 character framework, align tools with instructional framework, and audit assessment tools and data analysis protocols.

John Korn asked about timeframes for accomplishing the initiatives.

Taylor DeLoach discussed priorities to establish leadership development and to create and communicate career advancement pathways.

Taylor DeLoach discussed strengthening incentives for lead teachers.

Chris Bater stated that the success of Alma is dependent on teacher talent as well as leadership talent. Having a benefit package that is attractive and investing resources into our talent. He recommended having it be the focus of a capital campaign.

John Korn commented that when we audit compensations, that we look at it as a whole rather than just from a pay standpoint.

Dave Prentiss had a question about the instruction framework, asking how its gone.

Taylor DeLoach says its gone well. The staff has produced instruction framework core principles that instructs the curriculum.

John Korn had a question about whether the board has seen the charter renewal report from DESE. Taylor DeLoach believes it was sent out but will send it out again. John Korn wants to be sure that we are addressing anything found in the DESE report now rather than waiting until the end of the grace period.

III. Development

A. Introducing Alma's New Director of Communications and Advancement

This was covered earlier in the meeting.

IV. Governance

A. Committee and Board Recruitment

Dave Prentiss discussed the need to recruit more board trustees, and how he will be reaching out for recommendations.

Jean Fox added that she wanted to talk about how low the numbers are for the board.

B. Bylaws Revision Update

Dave Prentiss discussed the updates from DESE on current bylaws, and said that the committee is currently working on it.

V. Other Business

A. Board and Committee Meeting Calendar 2026-2027

Dave Prentiss went over the calendar and pointed out when there will be no meetings, but work will continue.

B. CEO Evaluation

Dave Prentiss discussed that the CEO evaluation went out today.
J. Korn made a motion to Call an executive session to discuss a legal matter.
J. Fox seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

D. Curtin

Documents used during the meeting

- AY2025-26 Alma del Mar Board Dashboard - June 2026.pdf
- E.D. Report 06.17.26.pdf
- For Board - June Strategic Plan Update.pdf
- AdM Board Needs Assessment June 2026.pdf
- DRAFT_ 2026-2027 Board and Committee Meeting Dates.pdf