



Academy of Collaborative Education

Board Meeting

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Amended on September 16, 2025 at 11:17 AM CDT

Date and Time

Wednesday September 17, 2025 at 3:30 PM CDT

Location

The Center for Children and Families, Inc.

622 Riverside Dr.

Monroe, LA 71201

Amy Marcus is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: ACE Board Meeting

Time: This is a recurring meeting. Meet anytime

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Members of the public can access the board meeting through the link on the website or attend in person. The meeting's anchor location will be The Center for Children and Families, Inc., located at 622 Riverside Dr., Monroe, LA 71201.

Any individual who wishes to make a public comment on one or more agenda items but cannot attend the meeting must submit their comment to boardchair@aceforasd.org at least 24 hours before the board meeting. The comment should include the individual's full name and the name of the agenda item on which they are commenting.

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During the board meeting, once the Board President/Chair calls for public comment on a specific agenda item and recognizes the speaker, the individual wishing to make an in-person public comment on an agenda item should be prepared to speak for no longer than 3 minutes. Before commencing with their public comment, the individual must state their full name.

The names of all individuals submitting public comments in person and via email shall be recorded in the meeting minutes.

It is the practice of the board to hear public comments but not respond instantly. The board will confer with the ED, and, depending on the issue, either the Board Chair or ED will respond to you within 24 hours.

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			3:30 PM
A. Record Attendance		Holly Allen	1 m
B. Call the Meeting to Order		Amy Marcus	1 m
C. Approve Minutes	Approve Minutes	Amy Marcus	1 m
Approve minutes for Board Meeting on August 20, 2025			
D. Approval of Agenda	Vote	Amy Marcus	1 m
Request for amendment to the agenda, or approval of the agenda as presented.			
II. Reports			3:34 PM
A. Executive Director Report	FYI	Joellen Freeman	30 m
The Executive Director reports on the organization's performance, strategic progress, financial health, and any significant risks or opportunities that may arise.			
1. Enrollment statistics			
2. Staffing Update (PTA and APE contracts attached)			
3. Updated Financials			
4. Audit progress			
5. Sixth-grade expansion update (Provision contract attached)			
6. Update on accounting firm transition			

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7. Progress—Toward Goals for SY25-26			
B. Committee Reports	FYI	Amy Marcus	20 m

Board committee chairs will report on important business, including proposed actions needing full board approval. Committee Chairs will also give an update on their goals. Draft minutes from August (Governance) and September meetings are attached for review.

Committees will report in the following order:

- Academic Excellence (Amy Marcus)
- Facilities (Davy Mize)
- Governance (Holly Allen)
- Finance (Latner McDonald)

Progress-Toward-Goals Reporting Guidelines:

Summarize each goal's status using the following:

- On-Target — progressing well and on schedule
- Off-Target — falling behind the expected timeline
- At-Risk — requiring monitoring and/or intervention

Highlight milestones, challenges, and strategies since the last report.

III. Other/Unfinished Business (Previously visited from an earlier agenda)

IV. Action Items 4:24 PM

A.	Vote on Professional Services Agreement — Riley Physical Therapy	Vote	Amy Marcus	5 m
The Finance Committee recommends that the board approve this contract after a thorough review.				
B.	Vote on Provision Quote (Safety and Security at Grace site)	Vote	Amy Marcus	5 m

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The Finance Committee recommends approval by the board, subject to the formal signing of the lease agreement and the actual leasing of the Grace Episcopal space.			
C.	Vote on APE (Adapted/Adaptive Physical Education) Contract	Vote	Amy Marcus
	Joellen has interviewed an Adapted/Adaptive Physical Education professional who is capable of working with ACE students on a part-time basis and wishes to hire her.		

V. D.O.N.

DECISIONS made:

OWNERS:

NEXT steps:

VI. Closing Items

4:39 PM

A.	Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Amy Marcus	1 m
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