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Academy of Collaborative Education

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday October 22, 2025 at 4:30 PM

Location
The Center for Children and Families
622 Riverside Dr.
Monroe, LA 71201

This is a special meeting of the ACE Board of Directors. According to the Louisiana Open Meetings Law - La. R.S. 42:19, notice is hereby given to the members of the Board of Directors of Academy of Collaborative Education and to the general public that the Board will hold a regular, special, or rescheduled meeting, open to the public as specified below. To ensure compliance with the Open Meetings Law, recipients of this message should not forward it to other Board members, and Board members should not reply to this message.

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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.

Any individual interested in providing a public comment on one or more agenda items who can attend the meeting in person may submit their comments to boardchair@aceforasd.org at least

24 hours prior to the board meeting. Alternatively, they may arrive at the meeting, complete the ACE Board Meeting Public Comment Request Form in writing, and submit it to the board chair.

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.

Directors Present
Amy Marcus, Anna Grimmett, Davy Mize (remote), Holly Allen (remote), Latner McDonald, Richard Cannon, Seth Hall

Directors Absent
None

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened
Anna Grimmett

Guests Present
Allison Dickens

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Amy Marcus called a meeting of the board of directors of Academy of Collaborative Education to order on Wednesday Oct 22, 2025 at 4:33 PM.
Anna Grimmett arrived.

C. Approval of Agenda

Amy Marcus made a motion to Amend the dates on the agenda item IV A.
Richard Cannon seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
Amy Marcus made a motion to Exclude the Grace Lease, Section IV B, from the agenda.

Anna Grimmett seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
Anna Grimmett made a motion to Exclude discussion of the Differentiated Compensation Distribution Plan portion of Section II B.
Richard Cannon seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Reports

A. Executive Director Report

B. Stipend Distribution

Joellen Freeman discussed the amended copy of the Certificated (certified) and Support Staff Compensation Plan with the board.

This special meeting was called to approve the disbursement of these funds on Oct. 27 and Nov. 24, which is two weeks earlier than previously planned.

C. Grace Lease

The agenda was amended to exclude discussion of the Grace Lease at this time.

III. Action Items

A. Vote on Stipend Distribution

Seth Hall made a motion to Approve Certificated and Support Staff Compensation Plan stipend distribution dates of Oct. 27 and Nov. 24 of 2025.
Latner McDonald seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
Richard Cannon	Aye
Davy Mize	Absent
Anna Grimmett	Aye
Holly Allen	Absent
Amy Marcus	Aye
Seth Hall	Aye
Latner McDonald	Aye

B. Vote on Grace Lease

IV. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Richard Cannon made a motion to Adjourn meeting.

Amy Marcus seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:41 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Allison Dickens

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