

A.C.E. Academy

Minutes

A.C.E. Academy July 31, 2025 Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday July 31, 2025 at 7:00 PM

Mission: A.C.E Academy will equip students from all backgrounds to succeed in the college and career of their choice by driving academic excellence, developing strong character, and instilling an entrepreneurial mindset.

Guest Login: Indistar
Username: GuestS17692
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Directors Present

C. Torrence (remote), D. Graham (remote), J. Figueroa (remote), T. Cline (remote)

Directors Absent

C. Rodgers, K. Best

Guests Present

D. Hammond

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

В.

Call the Meeting to Order

T. Cline called a meeting of the board of directors of A.C.E. Academy to order on Thursday Jul 31, 2025 at 7:06 PM.

C. School Mission

A.C.E. Academy will equip students from all backgrounds to succeed in the college and career of their choice by driving academic excellence, developing strong character, and instilling an entrepreneurial mindset.

D. Approve Agenda

- C. Torrence made a motion to approve today's agenda.
- J. Figueroa seconded the motion.

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

E. Approve Minutes

- C. Torrence made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 22, 2025, meeting.
- T. Cline seconded the motion.

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

F. Public Comment

A.C.E. Academy Public Comment Policy is two per meeting for reaction to what has been discussed during the meeting.

II. Meeting Items

A. Staff Update/Approval

- C. Torrence made a motion to approve the new hires and staff changes.
- J. Figueroa seconded the motion.

Laila Minott gave the board a thorough update on our new hires and changes in staff roles. She also mentioned that there are currently no open positions. Dr. Cline asked for a motion to approve the new hires and staff changes.

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

B. End of the Year 13 Month July 2025 Budget Report & 2025-2026 School Budget

- D. Graham made a motion to approve the 2025-2026 Budget.
- J. Figueroa seconded the motion.

Laila Minott reviewed every item in the budget analysis report with the board. She shared that our finances are doing well, and we are still in the green. Dr. Cline asked for a motion to approve the budget.

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

C.

Construction Update

Laila Minott updated the board on the construction progress. She explained the current status and details of the ongoing work, ensuring everyone understood how the project is advancing.

D. Bills That Impact Charters

Laila Minott discussed several bills that could impact charter schools, including changes to funding, enrollment, and school policies. She emphasized the importance of understanding these bills for the future of charter schools.

E. Federal Program Updates

Laila Minott informed the board about recent news from the Department of Education. She mentioned that some funds might be frozen, which could potentially impact several of our programs. However, she also shared good news. The Department of Education released some funds to help our after-school program continue serving our families. Our Federal funding will ensure that we can continue to provide valuable services to the children and families who rely on us.

F. Related Services Conflict

- D. Graham made a motion to approve Mrs. Torrence to give services in accordance with A.C.E. Academy governance practices, as well as A.C.E. Academy service conflict guidelines in our policies.
- J. Figueroa seconded the motion.

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

G. Enrollment Update

Laila Minott shared exciting news about enrollment. She mentioned that enrollment numbers are very strong and she's thrilled about this progress. The positive trends in enrollment have everyone looking forward to a great year ahead.

III. 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 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

D. Hammond

B. Closed Session