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A.C.E. Academy

Minutes

A.C.E. Academy Board Meeting 2025-2026

Date and Time
Thursday March 26, 2026 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), J. Figueroa (remote), K. Best (remote), T. Cline (remote)

Directors Absent
C. Rodgers, D. Graham

Guests Present
D. Hammond (remote), L. Minott (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B.

Call the Meeting to Order

T. Cline called a meeting of the board of directors of A.C.E. Academy to order on Thursday Mar 26, 2026 at 7:06 PM.

C. School Mission

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D. Approve Agenda

K. Best made a motion to Approve the agenda for tonight's meeting.
J. Figueroa seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

E. Approve Minutes

K. Best made a motion to Approve the minutes from February 26, 2026 board meeting.
J. Figueroa 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

K. Best made a motion to Approve the staff updates and the new hire.
J. Figueroa seconded the motion.
Ms. Laila Minott presented the personnel report, introducing the school's new hires and detailing the specific capacities in which they will serve to support A.C.E. Academy's academic and operational needs. The Board reviewed the staffing updates and the strategic placement of new personnel within their respective departments.
Dr. Terry Cline requested that a motion be made to approve the staff updates and the new hires as presented.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. H1 Visa Program

K. Best made a motion to Approve the H1 Visa program.

J. Figueroa seconded the motion.
Ms. Laila Minott introduced a proposal to implement an H-1 Visa Program at A.C.E. Academy. She provided an overview of the program's structure and presented data highlighting the academic success achieved by other institutions through its use. Dr. Terry Cline shared his firsthand professional experience with the program, noting its potential as a significant opportunity for the school.
Dr. Cline asked for a motion to approve the exploration and implementation of the H1 Visa Program. The motion was seconded and approved by the Board.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

C. A.C.E. Academy Basketball International Training Experience

J. Figueroa made a motion to Approve the students to participate in the basketball training camp.
C. Torrence seconded the motion.
Ms. Laila Minott presented an exciting opportunity for four student-athletes to participate in an international basketball training camp held in the Bahamas. She outlined how this program would provide intensive athletic development and unique cultural experiences for the selected students.
The Board expressed enthusiastic support for the proposal. Dr. Terry Cline and other members noted that this initiative offers invaluable global exposure for students and represents a significant opportunity to elevate A.C.E. Academy through the many ways we cultivate our students.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

D. Website Update

J. Figueroa made a motion to Approve to update our website information, policies, and board meeting schedule.
C. Torrence seconded the motion.
Ms. Laila Minott informed the Board that the school is currently transitioning to a new vendor to develop and manage the A.C.E. Academy website. As part of this update, Ms. Minott requested that all Board members submit updated professional biographies and new profile photographs to ensure the site accurately reflects current leadership.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

E. Website Information

Ms. Laila Minott presented the board with comprehensive documentation regarding the school’s transition to a new web development vendor. She provided an overview of the selected company and shared the project scope for managing the A.C.E. Academy website.

III. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

J. Figueroa made a motion to Adjourn the board meeting.
K. Best 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 7:36 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
D. Hammond

B. Closed Session

Closed Session (If Necessary) Must be voted on prior to going into session.

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