



Excel Academy Rhode Island

Board of Trustees Meeting

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Date and Time

Thursday September 26, 2024 at 5:30 PM EDT

Location

CCRI
1 Hilton Street
Providence, RI 02905

Meeting Notice Posted Publicly: 9/24/24

Please note: All items listed on the agenda are subject to a possible vote by the Board of Trustees.

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			5:30 PM
A. Record Attendance	Discuss	Arthur Kaynor	
B. Call the Meeting to Order	Discuss	Brett Smiley	1 m
C. Public Comment	Discuss	Arthur Kaynor	1 m

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D. Approve Minutes for 6.27.24 Board Meeting	Approve Minutes	Arthur Kaynor	1 m
II. Academic Oversight			5:33 PM
A. State of the School Updates	Discuss	Owen Stearns	10 m
III. Real Estate			5:43 PM
A. Real Estate Search Updates & Votes	Discuss	Chris Reed, Andrew Solomon, Arthur Kaynor	20 m
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates on real estate search • Approve SY25-26 enrollment scenarios, pending outcome of RIC RFP process • Approve 9/26/24 real estate resolutions regarding RIC property • Approve closing the 9/18/23 Promissory Note with Friends of Excel Academy for up to \$500k, intended for the Baker St. project; draws against this Note to-date: \$0 		
IV. Governance			6:03 PM
A. Authorize Treasurer to submit annual report filing	Vote	Arthur Kaynor	1 m
	<p>Authorize the Treasurer to submit the following annual report filling on behalf of the organization reflecting its current information and membership:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhode Island Secretary of State between February 1, 2025 and May 1, 2025 		
B. Title IX Policy Approval and Training	Vote	Arthur Kaynor & Andrew Solomon	15 m
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vote to ratify updates to the Excel Academy Title IX policy for the SY24-25 school year • Receive training on the Title IX policy and the role of the Board of Trustees 		

Summary of Updates:

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incorporate new or updated language to align Excel's policy to new regulations, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Updates to definitions ◦ Additional language regarding acceptable types of evidence to include in an investigation ◦ Updated procedure for formal complaints ◦ Additional language regarding record-keeping requirements 				
C.	Ratify SY24-25 Student & Family Handbook and SY24-25 Employee Policy Manual	Vote	Arthur Kaynor	5 m
D.	Approve SY24-25 Board Goals	Vote	Owen Stearns	10 m
E.	Approve updates to SY24-25 Committee Assignments	Vote	Arthur Kaynor	1 m

Updates:

- Add Jamie Greenthal to Finance Committee and to Governance & Nominating Committee
- Add new parent representative to SIT/Academic Oversight Committee

V. Finance 6:35 PM

A.	FYI - Reminder about FY24 Annual Audit Excel MA & Friends of Excel Audit Review & Approval Meeting	FYI	Arthur Kaynor	1 m
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mon., Oct. 21 via Teams, 3:30-5pm • Excel RI FC optionally attending for informational and collaborative purposes 			
	Excel RI Audit Review & Approval Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thurs., Dec. 5 at CSEA, 5:30-7pm • Excel MA & Friends FC optionally attending for informational and collaborative purposes 			

VI. Other Business

N/A - No discussion or voting items at this meeting.

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VII. Closing Items

6:36 PM

A. Adjourn Meeting Vote Brett Smiley 1 m

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