



# **Eno River Academy**

## **Minutes**

## July 2025 Regular Board Meeting

### **Date and Time**

Tuesday July 22, 2025 at 5:30 PM

#### Location

Eno River Academy High School Conference Room

#### **Directors Present**

Adam Haber (remote), David Nagel (remote), Elliot Clark, Jeremy Greene, Margaret Barr, Pamela Norcross (remote), Trish Blackmon

#### **Directors Absent**

None

## Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

Adam Haber

## Directors who left before the meeting adjourned

Adam Haber

## **Guests Present**

Lindsey Sealy, Michael Brown

## I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance and Guests

B.

## **Call the Meeting to Order**

David Nagel called a meeting of the board of directors of Eno River Academy to order on Tuesday Jul 22, 2025 at 5:40 PM.

## C. Approve June 17, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

David Nagel made a motion to approve the minutes from June Board Meeting on 06-17-25.

Jeremy Greene seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

Margaret Barr Aye
Trish Blackmon Abstain
Jeremy Greene Aye
Pamela Norcross Abstain
David Nagel Aye
Elliot Clark Abstain
Adam Haber Aye

## II. Reading of Conflict of Interest and Ethics Statement

## A. Reading of Statement

Dave read the conflict of interest and ethics statement- no conflicts brought forward.

### III. Monthly Agenda Review

### A. Review and revision, if needed, of meeting agenda

No changes on agenda since sent out.

David Nagel made a motion to approve monthly agenda as written.

Margaret Barr seconded the motion.

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

#### **IV. Public Comment Period**

## A. Public comments in accordance with the ERA Public Comment Policy

Jeremy-

No public comments sent via email

Opened to public online- none brought forward

Adam Haber arrived at 5:54 PM.

Adam Haber left at 6:10 PM.

## V. New Business

A.

#### 2025-26 Parent and Student handbook

Jeremy Greene made a motion to to approve the ERA 2025-2026 Parent and Student handbook as written.

Pamela Norcross seconded the motion.

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

Lindsey- sent handbook as pre-read.

- 2 Topics were focused on within handbook: collecting information from students, parents, teachers, and staff:
- 1. Cell phone policy- state mandate- no phones during instruction time. Discussion around this topic. K-8 no cell phone access throughout school day, High school- at each class phone will be placed in a storage area, they have access to phones between classes and lunch.
- 2. Attendance policy- last year school wide issue.
  - Tardies was the biggest problem seen.
  - Educational opportunities of excused absences- stricter guidelines around that.

See attached handbook for those changes in policies.

Discussion around this.

## B. Board document management

Discussion on document management:

- · how to upload documents into board on track
- Folder organization within board on track
- Committee BoD chairs responsible for adding appropriate documents

## C. Board Officer Appointments

Board Specific appointments:

Adam assigned as treasurer

David Nagel- would be good at continuing as BoD chair

Margaret-looking to hand over roll as secretary, Trish willing to take that role

Jeremy- good to continue as vice Chair

Margaret Barr made a motion to Appoint Dave Nagel as board chair, Jeremy Greene as vice chair, Adam Haber as Treasurer and Trish Blackmon as secretary.

Jeremy Greene seconded the motion.

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

## D. Committee Appointments

3 Committee appointments:

Academic Committee-Margaret stay on as academic committee chair, Pamela as second board member

Fundraising Committee-Trish Blackmon and Pamela can help

ED Evaluation Committee- Elliott as 3rd member

David Nagel made a motion to appoint Margaret Barr Academic committee chair, Trish Blackmon as fundraising committee chair, Eliot Clark to sit on ED evaluation committee for 2025-26 school year.

Margaret Barr seconded the motion.

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

### VI. Old Business

## A. Annual Retreat Objectives, Topics, and Assignments

Board Retreat date, time, location- August 26th- at High school at 3pm

**Team Building** 

Strategic elements- Mission/Vision/Direction- to school one voice to school.

Goals for year-school and board- Committee level goals

Defining Terms: Excellence for all? Future ready? Integrated STREAM AI Values

- Lindsey and Adam- Discuss School Expansion
- Margaret, Pamela, Lindsey, Elliot, Michael and Kristin- Defining Strategic elements and what those terms mean (Excellence for all, future ready, integrated STREAM-High level and low view
- Team Building- Pamela
- Dave, Jeremy, Elliot, Lindsey, Michael, and Kristin- Long-Term Road and 2025-26
   School Map
- · Jeremy- Strategic Board make-up and recruiting
- Each Committee updates- goals for that year.
- Lindsey and Trish- Meals

### VII. Officer and Liaison Updates

#### A. Finance Update

Lindsey- Discussed June Budget Report

- · All submitted to auditor
- · Looking good for budget in June

Strong financial position this year.

Federal funds topic- details discussed around how this effects ERA, we are fine even if those federal funds do not come in.

Summer Camps- gave overview of financials around summer camps.

## VIII. Administration Announcements and Updates

### A. Monthly Administration Update

- Administration Retreat
- Hiring happening
- · Enrollment full- strong waitlist for school
- NC Standards highest AP pass scores
- · High school being repainted, new cork board
- · Lower school has fence around it
- · Capturing kids' hearts starting
- Freshman and new students orientation on 7/28, August 5th- Kindergarten, 6th grade orientations
- PTO doing a social event to orient new families.

### IX. Closing Items

### A. Closed Session

Decided to keep this training in open session.

Training with Lisa Gordon Stella- discussion and reference material Boards Roles-liability, roles and responsibilities, finances, closed and open session, public records, and other board specific training and information conveyed.

David Nagel made a motion to Motion to go into closed session to discuss items which warrant confidentiality pursuant to Article 33C, Section § 143-318.11. (a) 5&6 of the North Carolina General Statutes.

Jeremy Greene seconded the motion.

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

## B. Teacher and staff contracts

Jeremy Greene made a motion to approve the hiring contracts for Paula Afford/EC Director, Jarrell Jones High School OCS, and Adrian Smith Lead Custodian for 2025-2026 school year.

Margaret Barr seconded the motion.

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

C.

## **Adjourn Meeting**

Jeremy Greene made a motion to Adjourn the meeting.

Pamela Norcross seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously 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 8:50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Margaret Barr

## Documents used during the meeting

- Board Job Descriptions June 2025 FINAL.pdf
- ERA Committee Charters April 15 2025.pdf
- 2025 Board retreat proposal 2.pdf