



# Albany Leadership Charter School for Girls

# Minutes

Board meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday May 27, 2025 at 5:00 PM

# **Trustees Present**

A. Harrison, D. Getto, E. Bowman, E. Harris, E. Robertson, J. Celestine, M. Moree, S. Brice, T. Coston (remote), V. Rhodes (remote)

Trustees Absent
None

**Guests Present** B. Peoples (remote), D. Romero, F. Woods (remote), L. Oldenburg (remote), M. Hines (remote)

## I. Opening Items

## A. Record Attendance

## B. Call the Meeting to Order

S. Brice called a meeting of the board of trustees of Albany Leadership Charter School for Girls to order on Tuesday May 27, 2025 at 5:03 PM.

## C. Approve Minutes April Meeting

- E. Robertson made a motion to approve the minutes from Board meeting on 04-22-25.
- E. Bowman seconded the motion.

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

#### **II. Accountability**

## A. Leadership Report Out

School Leaders provided a high level overview going into the end of school year. Mrs. Woods discussed Regents prep, data on students at risk of not graduating, and students prepared to be on-grade/on credit. She noted that summer school notices have been sent to families. Pop 7 data was delayed. but will be provided to the Committee. Ms. Hines advised on the three Middle School grades and student progress.

Ms. Peoples provided an updated status on recruitment and retention applications. Based on trend in retention and applications in hand, she is projecting an estimated enrollment of 365.

### III. Finance

### A. April Financials

Ms. Moree provided the Finance Committee update inclusive of the April financial statements.

## B. Draft 2025-26 School Year Budget & School Calendar

The Finance Committee presented a draft budget to the Board for review, in advance of the Annual Board meeting in June. The Committee had two work sessions with the leadership team to review class sections, instructional positions needed to support the educational programming. Subsequent to those sessions, the Committee held two work sessions to stress test the projections for enrollment on 375 and 355 students. The draft budget presented is at 375 students and with that enrollment, it is clear the system cannot support existing overall staffing. A budget will include position eliminations - at 375 students, a total of 7 positions are proposed for elimination - and the Committee was particularly mindful to think through preserving academic quality while moving toward the academy model. The Committee draft budget at 375 reflects anticipated tuition rates, the most current projections for health and other insurances, along with other operational costs. A discussion ensued. The Committee asked board trustees to consider the proposal and ask questions. A decision in June will be framed around anticipated student headcount, and the committee will work closely with the recruitment team and leaders to assure projections reflect most current information.

Separately a draft school calendar was presented. Trustees were urged to get recommendations to the Accountability Committee prior to a vote at the June annual meeting.

#### **IV. Other Business**

#### A. Policy Recommendation Review on Head Covering Policy

Mrs. Woods presented on the proposed changes to the uniform policy related to head coverings. She provided some context for why and how the issue was presented by the students to leadership. She answered several questions from the Board. The Board noted that they believed the policy was directionally appropriate. Mrs. Woods asked that we delay a formal vote until she has the chance to meet with several student cohorts to review.

### **B. School Safety Policy**

M. Moree made a motion to approve the 2024-25 School Safety Policy.

E. Robertson seconded the motion.

It was noted that the school policy has been in place and in effect. We could not locate formal board approval of the policy.

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

### V. Closing Items

### A. Adjourn Meeting

M. Moree made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

S. Brice 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 6:26 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, M. Moree

#### Documents used during the meeting

- ALCSG Apr25 Financials.pdf
- ALCSG Budget FY25.pdf
- 25-26 Calendar (3).pdf
- ACLMS Dress Code Update 25-26.pdf
- HS Dress Code-update 25-26.pdf
- ALCS Safety Plan 2025-2026.docx