



METROLINA REGIONAL  
**SCHOLARS  
ACADEMY**

## Metrolina Regional Scholars Academy

### SA Monthly Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Monday January 22, 2024 at 6:30 PM EST

#### Location

You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

Topic: Scholars Academy Monthly Board Meetings

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#### Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>I. Opening Items</b>			<b>6:30 PM</b>
Opening Items			
<b>A.</b> Record Attendance and Guests		Liliana Lopez	1 m
Confirm meeting recording.			
<b>B.</b> Call the Meeting to Order		Erica Womer	1 m

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Do we have a quorum? Welcome to the Metrolina Regional Scholars Academy Board Meeting.			
<b>C.</b>	Read Mission Statement	Adam Starling	2 m
Metrolina Regional Scholars Academy provides a differentiated, challenging, and equitable learning environment that supports the distinctive intellectual, social, and emotional needs of highly gifted children from diverse backgrounds and enables them to form meaningful relationships with their intellectual peers.			
<b>D.</b>	Administrative Meeting Review	Erica Womer	2 m
Zoom Webinar Etiquette/Rules:			
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<b>E.</b>	Approval of Prior Minutes 12/11/23	Approve Minutes Liliana Lopez	2 m
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Official approval of draft minutes</li> </ul>			
<b>F.</b>	Adoption of the Agenda	Vote Erica Womer	2 m
Are there any Amendments to the Agenda?			
<b>II.</b>	<b>Community Comments (First Opportunity) - subject to guidelines</b>		<b>6:40 PM</b>
<b>A.</b>	Community Comments - guidelines	FYI	5 m
The public is welcome to speak; limited to three minutes per speaker. Topics should not cover private, confidential or personal information. The board will not respond or enter into a dialogue on topics discussed. At this time you may indicate your desire to participate in Community Comments by raising your hand.			
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3. When it is your turn, a moderator will identify you by name and then grant you access to speak.			

<b>III. Director's Report</b>			<b>6:45 PM</b>
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A. General Items	FYI	Ari Pieper	20 m
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- Director's Report

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/18UGTYyKYU9qHp9vYvASuagk766kzWQhTYMwS1NIGNQI/edit?usp=sharing>

<b>IV. Governance Committee</b>			<b>7:05 PM</b>
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A. Executive Director Search Survey Results	Discuss	Enrique Alvarez	30 m
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B. Update	FYI	Dominique Palmer	10 m
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- Executive Director Search tasks for next month
- Board members needed for next year

<b>V. Policy Committee</b>			<b>7:45 PM</b>
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A. Update	FYI	Malik Dixon	2 m
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**• REVIEWING RECOMMENDED POLICY**

*Policy content evaluation:*

- Identify the problem/conduct/actionable goal or change that the policy targets or influences.
- What are the core components and implementation requirements of the policy?
- Does the policy articulate the mechanism for monitoring implementation?
- Does the policy identify indicators for assessing program success/problem resolution?
- How is the content of the policy similar to or different from that of other policies?

*Improving policy implementation and future policy development:*

- What is the context of the policy's development and passage?
- Is there a basis of evidence in support of the policy's strategy?
- Is there an unexpected impact of the policy?

**• Policy Update:**

Parents' Bill of Rights:

- New policy was passed by Scholars Academy in December 2023 in compliance with North Carolina's Act to Enumerate the Rights of Parents to Direct the Upbringing, Education, Health Care and Mental Health of their Minor Children (SB 49) commonly known as the Parents' Bill of Rights.
- The statute requires that a Parent's Guide to Student Achievement is provided to parents, students, and school personnel no later than the first day of school after January 1, 2024. Based on school calendars across the state, the first day of school is in August for traditional calendars and July for year-round calendars.
- Additionally, the law stipulates (115C-76.30): *"The State Board of Education shall develop minimum requirements for public school units for a parent's guide to student achievement to provide what parents need to know about their child's educational progress and how they can help their child to succeed in school."* March or April projected Review.

<b>VI.</b>	<b>Educational Excellence Committee</b>		<b>7:47 PM</b>
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<b>A.</b>	Update	FYI	Weiyi Ning	5 m
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- Office of Charter School - Renewal Visit on February 27, 2024

<b>VII.</b>	<b>Foundation</b>		<b>7:52 PM</b>
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<b>A.</b>	Update	FYI	AJ Farooqi	5 m
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<b>VIII.</b>	<b>Finance Committee</b>		<b>7:57 PM</b>
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<b>A.</b>	Update	FYI	Adam Starling	15 m
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- No financial snapshot this month due to errors made by Acadia
- Financial Deep Dive planned for February
- RFP for accounting services

<b>IX.</b>	<b>Diversity, Equity &amp; Inclusion (DEI) Committee</b>		<b>8:12 PM</b>
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<b>A.</b>	Update	FYI	Dominique Palmer	5 m
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<b>X. Community Comments (Second Opportunity) - Subject to Guidelines</b>			<b>8:17 PM</b>
A. Community Comments	FYI	Erica Womer	10 m
<b>XI. Closed Session</b>			<b>8:27 PM</b>
A. Discuss confidential contract matter	Discuss	Erica Womer	30 m
<b>XII. Closing Items</b>			<b>8:57 PM</b>
A. Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Erica Womer	