
Ascend Leadership Academy

October 2023

Wednesday, October 25, 2023

Location: In Person

Remote Option Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82575793547?pwd=S1dYc1RTWDLVdFQwU2N5OUUp2d3BUUT09>

Members Present: Jason Smith,, Rex Scott, Roger Linville, Monique Torrez, Candice Broadus-McDougald, Dylan Howell, Kimberly Grice

Members Absent: Melanie Jacobs, Drew Goodson,

Non-Members Present: Justin Smith (Director), Zachary Donahue (CSP), Damien Perez, Robert Sims

Call to Order: Jason Smith called the meeting to order at 6:28pm by Jason Smith

School Mission:

The mission of Ascend Leadership Academy is to develop successful student leaders by growing their self-efficacy, intellectual understanding, and social competence. ALA will accomplish this by applying innovative teaching methods, incorporating student cultural realities and cultivating student ownership in the learning community.

Agenda

Open Session

- 1. Recitation of Mission:** Justin Smith recited the mission statement.
- 2. Approval of Consent Agenda:** Motion was made by Dylan Howell to approved the consent agenda and seconded by Roger Linville. Motion carried unanimously.





Consent Agenda

- [Approval of September 2023 Minutes](#)
- Approval of October 2023 Agenda

- 3. Public Comment:** No Public comment was made.
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Public comment is a time for the community to provide feedback to the Board of Directors. For in-person meetings attendees must sign up at the start of the meeting in order to give public comment. Each community member is limited to 2 minutes of comment, with a total time allotted to public comment of 10 minutes. During remote meetings attendees may add their public comments to the chat feature which will be sent directly to the Board of Directors. Board members will then share the comments with the meeting attendees for up to 10 minutes.

Public comment is also a time for the Board of Directors to listen to the feedback of the community. Board members can not respond to public comments during the meeting. However, the Board recognizes that each stakeholder is a vital part of our community and will take comments into consideration when making decisions, planning, providing feedback to administration, and completing committee work.

4. **Administrative Report:** Managing Director Justin Smith reviewed the monthly administrative report with the Board.
 - a. [School Administrative Report - October 2023](#)
5. **Finance Report:** Zachary Donahue from CSP reviewed the monthly financial reports from September 1-30.
 - a. [Finance Report - September 2023](#)
6. **ALA Booster Club Creation Discussion:** Justin Smith reviewed the progress towards raising funds for ALA's special projects including the soccer field. He shared sources of revenue so far throughout the year and discussed future opportunities with corporate sponsors. Board Member Dylan Howell shared his progress on the formation of an ALA Athletics Booster club. The goal of the organization will be to raise funds for various ALA extra-curricular activities.
 - a. Special Projects Fundraiser Update
 - i.  Special Projects Revenue
 - b. ALA Sponsorship Documentation and Plan
 - i.  Corporate Sponsorship Athletics Letter
 - ii.  Family Aviator Athletics Sponsorship Letter
 - c. ALA Booster Club Creation
 - i.  Aviator Boosters.pptx
7. **School and Community Committee Discussion:** The Board selected members for the newest board committee, the School and Community Committee. Board committee members will be Kimberly Grice, Dylan Howell, and Jason Smith. Damien Perez will reach out for an initial meeting prior to the next board meeting.
8. **Parent/Stakeholder Volunteer Policy Discussion:** Board members discussed the need for a potential parent/stakeholder volunteer policy. The Board decided to table the policy and will discuss at future meetings.

- 9. Confirmation of November/December Meeting Date:** Board members discussed the date of our December/November meeting. The Board decided that the next meeting will be on Wednesday, December 6th.

Closed Session (If Needed):

Purpose of Closed Session Discussion Item #3: 143-318.11. Closed sessions.(a) Permitted Purposes. - It is the policy of this State that closed sessions shall be held only when required to permit a public body to act in the public interest as permitted in this section. A public body may hold a closed session and exclude the public only when a closed session is required:

(6) To consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee; or to hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against an individual public officer or employee...

Adjournment

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting made by Jason Smith and second by Kimberly Grice at 7:46pm. Motion carried unanimously.