



REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Regular Meeting Begins at 7:30PM

Pike Elementary Building, Room 13, 2510 N. Chestnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80907

May 6, 2010, 7:30PM

Vision

We will **create** an academic home for advanced and creative learning, **cultivate** personal and standards-based excellence and leadership ability, **and serve** as a resource center for the gifted community of the Pikes Peak Region.

Mission

Our students and staff will **investigate** ideas and master advanced content, **reflect** upon their own progress, **explore** connections between disciplines, and **lead** others in positive ways to new heights in achievement and service to the community.

A. PRELIMINARIES

A.1 - Call to Order

A.2 - Roll Call

- Kevin Binkley, Vice President
- Scott Marcy, President
- Julie Ott, Secretary
- Stephanie Schmuecker, Director
- Gayle Staton, Director
- Andy Unwin, Director
- Alan Worster, Treasurer
- Nikki Myers, Academy Director

A.3 - Adoption of the Agenda

Recommendation: That the Board adopts the agenda, as presented (and/or amended).

A.4 - Executive Session

The Governing Board may, under state statutes, go into Executive Session—upon approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the Directors present—to discuss matters pertaining to:

- 1) property transactions [per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(a)] [particular matter:];
- 2) legal advice [per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b)] [particular matter:];
- 3) security arrangements or investigations [per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(d)] [particular matter:];
- 4) negotiations [per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(e)] [particular matter:];
- 5) personnel [per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f)] [particular matter: review of Academy Director's goals]
- 6) individual student(s) [per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(h)] [particular matter:];
- 7) documents that may not be disclosed under the Colorado Open Records Act [per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(g)] [particular matter]; and
- 8) matters required to be kept confidential by state or federal law [per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(c)][specific legal citation:]

Recommendation: That there be a short Executive Session to discuss the Academy Director's goals.

A.5 - Modification of the Agenda

A Board Director, by a motion, or the Academy Director (via a recommendation for a motion), may cause the modification of the previously approved agenda only for the following reason:
Required action following discussion in Executive Session.

B. CONSENT ITEMS

B.1 - Adoption of Consent Items - 2 minutes

Consent items are placed in the consent portion of the agenda. If Board members have any questions concerning these items, they should be directed to the Academy Director or designee prior to the board meeting. If discussion is required on any one of the items, it may be removed from the consent agenda. Those items indicated as being consent items will be adopted by one single motion unless a member of the Board requests an item be removed from the consent agenda.

Recommendation: To adopt all consent items as designated in the agenda.

Consent Items:

- B.2 - Approval of Minutes

Prepared by: Nikki Myers and Gayle Staton
Ref. Pages: Under Separate Cover

Recommendation: That the Board approves the minutes of the April 22, 2010 regular board meeting.

C. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

C.1 - Updates from the committees – 60 minutes

- Finance Committee
 - 501(c)(3) application status
 - Update on benefits
 - Do we offer benefits for half-time employees?
 - Update on payroll services
 - Need to set up payroll to pay Business Manager and Academy Director
 - Update on enrollment and its impact on the budget
 - Property insurance for items purchased with CDE grant money prior to 7/1/10?
- Fundraising Committee
 - Update on fundraising efforts.
- Grants Committee
 - CDE Startup Grant update (status of purchases)
 - CDE Implementation Grant work – who?
 - Morgridge (SMART Board) grant
- Location Committee
 - Timeline for preparing the building?
 - Plan for moving property from storage/Adams to Pike?
 - Update on permits and inspections required.
- Marketing Committee
 - Press release for open spots?
 - Postcard to neighborhood?
- PAACL
 - Status on creation?
 - Need to organize “meet-n-greet” for parents/teachers
- Policy Committee
 - Which policies should the Board focus on first?
 - After-school clubs and viewpoint discrimination—legal issues.
- Staff Recruitment Committee
 - Update on employment applications received and the hiring process.
 - When can we announce hires?

C.2 – Treasurer’s Report – 5 minutes

Director Worster will provide an update on the finances of AACL.

C.3 – Board Development – 10 minutes

Discuss ideas for recruiting other community Board members, and where each Director is with the online board training modules.

D. ACTION ITEMS

D.1 – Revision of school calendar

Motion: That the School’s calendar be amended to swap the purposes of the days March 28, 2011 and March 29, 2011, so that March 28, 2011 is a “Professional Development” day and March 29, 2011 is a “Quarterly Family Conference Day.”

D.2 – Appointment of Director Staton as primary building permitting contact

Motion: That the Board appoints Director Staton as the primary contact for any permitting required to open AACL in the Pike Elementary building, and that she be approved to encumber funds needed to obtain any and all required inspections and permits.

E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

E.1 - New Agenda Items from Board Discussion

Board members have the opportunity to bring forward items for a future agenda.

Current items for future board discussion/decision:

- Development of additional policy, creation of Policy Manual
- Creation of additional subcommittees (Board Development Committee, maybe School Accountability Committee)

F. CALENDAR REVIEW AND UPDATE

To view upcoming AACL events and to access the School Calendar, go to our website at <http://www.academyacl.org/> and click on the "Upcoming Events" tab.

Upcoming Events:

- May 20, 2010: Regular Board Meeting, Pike Elementary, 2510 N. Chestnut St.

G. Adjournment