



ACE Leadership High School
Regular Meeting of the Governing Board
Wednesday, December 17th
Agenda

Notice is hereby given that the ACE Governing Board Regular Meeting will begin at 7:30am
The meeting will take place at ACE Leadership HS, 1240 Bellamah Ave. NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104
Or virtually on Zoom: Join Zoom Meeting
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AGENDA

- I. Call to Order for Regular Meeting: 7:31am
- II. Roll Call for Quorum:
Members Present: JR Tarin, Lon Freeman, Emma Curd, Jeff Steele, Jeff Debellis, Gabby Romero
Members Not Present: Ronda Gilliland-Lopez, Marissa Hernandez
Other Attendees: Casey Mason, Dan Hill, Matt Salas, Ralph Gonzales, Angie Lerner
- III. Approval of Agenda (Action)
 - a. Motion: Lon Freeman
 - b. Second: Jeff Debellis
 - c. Vote: Unanimously Approved
- IV. Approval of the November 26th Governing Board Meeting Minutes (Action)
 - a. Motion: Dan Erickson
 - b. Second: JR Tarin
 - c. Vote: Unanimously Approved
- V. Public Comment: (Three minutes maximum per speaker)-None
- VI. Finance Report and Approvals (Action) Funds reallocated from teacher stipends to supplies and contracted services to better align with grant requirements. Slight delays in federal grant reimbursements due to state approval processes and a government shutdown affecting food service funds. All submitted reimbursement requests have been fulfilled. November expenditures were slightly higher than last year, offset by lower October spending. Capital outlay funds to be spent soon; overall per-student spending is consistent with previous years. Maintained at healthy levels; anticipated use of some carryover funds due to fewer grants compared to last year. All taxes are current. Outstanding checks are being managed, especially for student interns and uncashed staff reimbursements. Corrections made for employee coding errors and proper allocation of stipends and grant funds (e.g., moving a stipend from operational to grant funds, reclassifying special ed staff). Additional budget alignment BARS to be presented in January to match audited financials.
- VII.

- a. Vote to approve November, 2025 Voucher Disbursements, Bank Reconciliation and Financial Reports
 - i. Motion: Lon Freeman
 - ii. Second: Gabby Romero
 - iii. Vote: Unanimously Approved

- b. Vote to approve BAR -14-M
 - i. Motion: Dan Erickson
 - ii. Second: Jeff Steele
 - iii. Vote: Unanimously Approved

- c. P-card Approval for November 2025
 - i. Motion: Emma Curd
 - ii. Second: JR Tarin
 - iii. Vote: Unanimously Approved

VIII. Board Reports

- a. Chair and Executive Committee-Discussed changing the December meeting to today. The board also discussed December graduation.
- b. Audit Committee-Noting to Report

IX. Director's Report

- a. Ralph -Facilities & Operations Portable Classroom Project: Contractor and architect are finalizing layout options for additional classroom space, funded by special capital outlay. School Culture-School-sponsored bonfire and games, with staff volunteering and students prioritizing academic work—a notable cultural shift among seniors.
- b. Casey- Exhibitions are underway and going smoothly. Database Launch: New student data management system integrating multiple data sources, set to go live in January. PBL Training: Whole-school training with PBL Works scheduled, funded by the CSI grant. Staff Changes: Veteran teachers assigned to capstone projects, leveraging industry backgrounds.
- c. Matt- We have been onboarding incoming students and families for next semester. Graduation is taking place on December 19th. It is at Local 412.

X. Items for Board Discussion and Action

- a. Discussion: ACE Leadership Charter Contract with Albuquerque Public School District

XI. Student/Staff Presentation-Monuments Project with Zach Ramsey

XII. Items for future agenda

- a. APS Charter Contract

XIII. Next Regular Meeting, Wednesday, *January 28th*, 7:30am

XIV. Adjournment:

- a. Motion: Gabby Romero

- b. Second: Jeff Steele
- c. Vote: Unanimously approved