



Colorado Springs Charter Academy  
Board Meeting Minutes | September 16, 2021

**Preliminaries**

- Call to order** 6:33pm
- Members Present:** McCrea Andersen, Amanda Duplantis, Najah Lamborn, Eric Fedders, 6:35pm
- Members Absent:** Kobi Chumash, Summer Groubert
- Staff/Others Present:** Dan Ajamian, Kristen Lange, Christian Welsh, Kayla Matos, Breck Merkle, Anna Mitchell, Amy Taylor, Kristie Kehm, Tom Pesavento
- Reading of School Vision & Mission – Najah L.** 6:35pm
- Public Comments:** 3 candidates running for open board positions, discussion regarding the status of mask mandates 6:36pm
- Approval of September Agenda, July & August Minutes** 6:44pm
  - Board voted to approve the September Agenda with change. Vote Passed.
  - Board voted to approve the July and August minutes. Vote Passed.

**Reports**

- Financial Report-Kristen Lange** 6:46pm
  - Over budget for job postings currently
  - Budget is revised in January following the October count day
- Enrollment Update-Kristen Lange** 6:50pm
  - Confirmed count at 407, accepting new enrollments through October 1, discussed handling the count day window and quarantines
  - Completed enrollment presentation regarding year over year data, lead sources, drop data, enrollment caps, and potential trends for retention opportunities
- School Updates** 7:40pm
  - **Head of School-Dan Ajamian**
    - Staff shortage and quarantine obstacles discussed
    - Discuss and vote on increase of substitute pay
      - Board voted to approve of an increase in substitute pay through the end of the school year. Vote Passed.
    - Reviewed strategic plan dashboard
    - School Accountability Committee met today and will meet quarterly
  - **Academic Dean-Kayla Matos**
    - MTSS structure getting tightened up with measurable goal
    - Curriculum maps formatted and posted
    - Loss of learning grant-looking into a math interventionist
    - DIBELS data reviewed

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- Shared teacher report-thankful to be in person, smoothing out kinks remaining in COVID year
- **Dean of Students -Christian Welsh**
  - First in person EPIC assembly was great
  - Choir, Band, Book Club, and Landsharks have started
  - Student council will be starting soon
- **Director of Operations-Kristen Lange**
  - Meeting with TAG company to source subs
  - Receiving tinting, speaker, and AC bids
  - New phone lines being added in
  - Provided updates on roof project
- **PTO Representative – Najah Lamborn**
  - Carnival volunteers needed -estimating 150 needed
  - Booster club is dissolved
  - Made \$150 on concessions

## Board Topics

### Board President Report

8:25pm

- Election voting window Sept 24<sup>th</sup> - Oct 8<sup>th</sup>
- New member orientation binder reminder to send in suggestions
- Adding a link to the minutes in newsletter

### Key Points

8:31pm

- Carnival on October 1<sup>st</sup>!
- CSCA is great for a focus on character, academics, amazing community, beautiful location, and wonderful staff

**Board voted to move into executive session. Vote passed.**

## Executive Session

Personnel Matters

8:41pm

Adjourn

8:59pm

## Meeting Close

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