



The Association of Charter School Education Services

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ACES JPA MEMBERSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 1, 2021 2:30-3:00

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87986975843?pwd=ZitRNFJlTWVBa2FXRFZvbWxGcjRmUT09>

1. Call to Order

a. Determine Quorum:

- Eric Ahner called the meeting to order at 2:33 pm; a quorum was determined with 36 proxies and 11 voting members attending in person for 51% (see list of voting attendees at the end of the minutes)

2. Consent Agenda and Minutes

a. Approval of agenda with flexibility*

- Eric Ahner entertained a motion to approve the meeting agenda with flexibility; Jesus Moncada made a motion to approve; Alexandra Boyd seconded the motion; motion approved unanimously

b. Approval of minutes from December 2020 meeting*

- Eric Ahner entertained a motion to approve the minutes from the December JPA Annual Board meeting; called for comments or discussion; none given; Kimberly Ritterhouse made a motion to approve; Jon Orris seconded the motion; motion approved unanimously

3. Open Meeting Act Resolution Annual Adoption*

- Eric Ahner noted that the members needed to vote on the Open Meeting Act; Eric confirmed that the only changes made for this year were adding the current date; called for questions or comments; none given; Eric entertained a motion to approve the annual Open Meeting Act Resolution; Michael Ogas made a motion to approve; Jesus Moncada seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously

4. Action Items from JPA Membership

a. Approve ACES Bylaws Amendments*

- Christy Takacs, based on the committee's recommendation, suggested two changes to the Bylaws. 1. Change the language from Board of Directors to the Executive Committee to have consistent language 2. When a new staff position needs to be added to the ACES team the recommendation was to take out the need for approval by the Executive Committee and to add that the Executive Director will consult with the Executive Committee prior to any staff additions.

b. Approve ACES Policy Amendments*

- Christy Takacs discussed the six recommended changes to the ACES Policies as follows:
 - Any ACES employee who has direct contact with children will provide a background check at their expense
 - Remove the insurance benefits section of the policy, as ACES does not offer employee insurance coverage

- Change to the wording from the Vice President will review policies the to the Executive Director will work in consultation with the Vice President
- Remove subtitles with no policy language attached
- Remove the 27 pages of the Procurement Law and replace with a statement indicating we will follow all applicable and mandatory procurement laws and regulations

Christy Takacs called for comments or discussion; Jesus Moncada recommended adding a link to the official Procurement Law; Eric Ahner called for additional questions or discussion; none given; Eric Ahner entertained a motion to approve the updates to the Bylaws and Policies; Alexandra Boyd made a motion to approve; Jon Orris seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously

5. Discussion:

Christy Takacs shared an informational PowerPoint for an overview of ACES and its services to charter members – specifically to those who were new charter leaders and/or members; Christy introduced the ACES staff and their current roles; shared the ACES Governance Structure; discussed cadre services, as well as the programs and services ACES offers; the Financial Structure and ACES membership (free); as well as the following items:

- a. Review of Executive Committee members
- b. Review of new JPA members
- c. Review of the Employee Organizational Chart
- d. Annual Shares Summary Report
- e. Annual Report of ACES by Executive Director
 - i. Updates on Financial Position – Annual Budget **(increased profit from last year; projected to be in the black by January)**
 - ii. Procurement **(Upcoming RFP’s and the need for members to evaluate proposals)**

Christy called for discussion or comments; none given; the zoom chat box noted some positive responses to the work ACES is doing for charter schools

6. Set Next meeting Date: The next annual meeting date will be set in the fall of 2022

Adjourn: Eric Ahner entertained a motion to adjourn at 3:08 pm; Kimberly Ritterhouse made a motion to adjourn; Jesus Moncada seconded; motion passed unanimously; meeting adjourned

Voting Member Attendees:

1. Eric Ahner – J. Paul Taylor Academy
2. Margarita Porter – New America
3. Jesus Moncada – Christine Duncan Academy
4. Jon Orris – Roots and Wings Community School
5. Kimberly Ritterhouse – Red River Valley Charter School
6. Victoria Schweizer – Turquoise Trail (by proxy in person)
7. Lori Bachman – Coral Community Charter School
8. Michael Ogas – School of Dreams Academy
9. Alexandra Boyd – The ASK Academy
10. Carissa Cantrell – Horizon Academy West
11. Mustafa Ayik – Albuquerque School of Excellence

Approved:



Bridget Barrett, ACES President



Jon Orris (Jan 2, 2023 14:33 MST)

Jon Orris, ACES Secretary











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