



Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, April 16, 2025 | 5:32PM

[Virtual Link](#)

AXL Academy Mission: AXL Academy is a tuition-free PK-8 expeditionary charter school in Aurora that delivers academic achievement, character development and social equity through an active instructional model and a strong school culture.

AXL Academy Vision: Engage. Empower. Achieve.

I. Welcome 5:32pm

- Roll Call/Declaration of Quorum

P Lisa Adams Board President

A James Cahill Board Treasurer

P Finn Landing Board Member

P Kattie Spiess Board Member

A Katrina Zerilli Board Vice-President

P Laura McGah Board Secretary and Teacher Rep.

P Anthony Owewole Board Member

P Sheila Rossum Mauldin Board Member

R. Crockett

J. Bissonnette

N. Assaf

K. Baartmans

M Regalia

Tatonka's note taker

Eva/Juan Martinez

- Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the April agenda

Made by L. Adams

2nd F. Lanning

All in favor

Kattie Spiess Board Member

Laura McGah Board Secretary and Teacher Rep.

Anthony Owewole Board Member

Sheila Rossum Mauldin Board Member

- Public Comment: Juan Martinez is happy to join our board meeting for the first time.

- Approval of Minutes: [March Minutes](#): Motion to approve the March Minutes

Made by L. Adams



2nd F.Lanning
All in favor
Kattie Spiess Board Member
Laura McGah Board Secretary and Teacher Rep.
Anthony Owewole Board Member
Sheila Rossum Mauldin Board Member

II. Finance

- Financial Dashboard: March Financials

March revenue was \$605,000, 7.4% above target, bringing year-to-date revenue to \$6,427,000, 2.8% above target. Expenditures for March were \$554,000, 1% below budget, with a year-to-date expenditure of \$6,003,933, 2.2% above budget. The current cash position is \$707,007.52.

III. Agenda

- Leadership report
- [See Slide Show](#)
 - Construction and Facilities**
 - Bond financing nearing completion, expected to close April 23-25
 - Phase 2 construction started; demolition and initial work underway
 - Playground equipment to be ordered once funding secured
 - Gym likely not ready for start of 2023-24 school year
 - Enrollment and Marketing**
 - Projected enrollment of 445 for 2023-24 school year
 - New marketing initiatives: car magnets, tabling at Aurora Mall, targeting new housing developments
 - Working on establishing feeder relationships with preschools and K-5 schools
 - Staffing Update**
 - 92% of full-time staff returning for next year
 - All positions filled for upcoming year, mostly with experienced teachers
 - Grants and Funding**
 - Multiple grant applications in progress:
 - BEST grant (reapplying next year)
 - CSP grant for expanding schools
 - SAFER grant for building safety technology
 - Charter School Facility Assistance Program (\$53,000 expected)
 - Employee Retention Credit application submitted (\$485-490k expected, 12-month turnaround)
 - Technology and Systems**
 - Implementing new digital attendance/hall pass system from APS
 - Transitioning from Paylocity to ISOLVED for payroll/HR system to address ongoing issues



Committees:

- Staff Rep- McGah
- Fundraising & Finance- James, Katii
- Marketing - Sheila, Lisa
- Governance & Long Term Planning - Laura, Finn

Action Items to Vote:

- [APS Nutritional Services](#): Motion to approve the APS Nutritional Services
Made by F. Lanning
2nd L
All in favor
Lisa Adams Board President
James Cahill Board Treasurer
Finn Landing Board Member
Kattie Spiess Board Member
Laura McGah Board Secretary and Teacher Rep.
Anthony Owewole Board Member
Sheila Rossum Mauldin Board Member
- [APS Purchased Services](#): Motion to approve the APS Purchased Services
Made by F. Lanning
2nd L.Adams
All in favor
Kattie Spiess Board Member
Laura McGah Board Secretary and Teacher Rep.
Anthony Owewole Board Member
Sheila Rossum Mauldin Board Member
- [Phase 2 Furniture \(Bids\)](#): Tabled Rich Crockett to review furniture purchase bids with administration and Maggie for next year's budget.
- [TES Agreement](#): Motion to approve the TES Agreement
Made by L. Adams
2nd L. McGah



All in favor

Finn Lanning Board Member

Kattie Spiess Board Member

Anthony Owewole Board Member

Sheila Rossum Mauldin Board Member

- [Insurance Representation](#): Motion to approve Brown and Brown for our insurance representation
Made by L. Adams
2nd F. Lanning
All in favor
Kattie Spiess Board Member
Laura McGah Board Secretary and Teacher Rep.
Anthony Owewole Board Member
Sheila Rossum Mauldin Board Member
- Board member resignation Katrina Zerilli Board Vice-President

Discussion Items: (non-voting)

- 25-26 Calendar
- 25-26 Draft Budget
- Payroll Transition
- Board Committees
Finn Lanning and Laura McGah to work with Rich Crockett on messaging to improve Title I funding eligibility.

IV. [Executive Session](#) (as needed)

V. Adjournment 6:23