

REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Of
Alpha Charter of Excellence
1223 SW 4 Street Miami, Florida 33135
June 4, 2026

Minutes

I. Call To Order and Roll Call – The meeting called to order at 2:01pm.

Present Board Members: Lisa Capote, Dr. Judith Stein, JC Fernandez and Gabriela Musiet.
No Board Member Absent

Other Present:

Ms. Isabel Navas, ACE Principal and Ms. Marisela Velez (Conflict Resolution Contact)

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II. Public Comment (limited to agenda items only) *

III. Approval of Agenda

Lisa Capote motioned to approve the agenda as presented, second by JC Fernandez, unanimously voted. Motion carried.

IV. Approval of Minutes:

Lisa Capote motioned to approve February 5, 2026, board minutes as presented. The motion was second by Dr. Judith Stein, unanimously approved. Motion carried.

V. Budget

The Financial Statement for the month of April is displayed. The balance sheet for April has a positive fund balance of \$110, 930. The rent continues to be high for the number of students. Even though the school receives capital outlay, the rent has been paid in May and now in June in two different payments for cash purposes. The financial statement was reviewed and approved.

VI. New Business:

- Resignation of Mr. Rodney effective May 4th. He is taking time to retire full time and enjoy his family. Ms. Navas would like to recommend Ms. Gabriela Musiet as secretary of the board. She is the President and CEO of CNC partnering with the school. Ms. Musiet has worked with CNC for many years and has extensive experience working with underserved communities like Little Havana.

Dr. Stein asks what the current relationship with CNC will be like, to which Ms. Navas replies that we will continue to maintain the same partnership.

JC Fernandez motioned to approve Ms. Musiet as secretary of the board as presented, second by Lisa Capote, unanimously voted. Motion carried.

Ms. Navas introduces Ms. Musiet to give her presentation to the board.

- Real Madrid Soccer Team. Bill and Martin (owners of our building) have recommended the school to Real Madrid to implement for SY: 2026-2027 a soccer academy after school (sports).

This soccer academy will provide 4-5 grade students with the opportunity to train and compete in soccer with children of the same age locally and nationally. The school is currently working with Real Madrid representatives to identify soccer parks, transportation and the overall operation of the after-school academy.

VII. Old Business Updates:

- Need approval:
- Ms. Navas is recommending as we always do to opt in with the MDCPS Comprehensive Reading Plan.
- Ms. Navas is recommending to also opt in with the MDCPS mental health plan. Lisa Capote motioned to approve the mental health plan as presented. The motion was second by Dr. Judith Stein, unanimously approved. Motion carried.
- Emergency Contact: SY: 26-27 Ms. Isabel Navas
- Conflict Resolution Person for SY: 26-27 Ms. Marisela Velez
Lisa Capote motioned to approve Ms. Navas as Emergency Contact SY 26-27 and Ms. Velez as Conflict Resolution Person SY 26-27 as presented. The motion was second by Dr. Judith Stein, unanimously approved. Motion carried.
- Academica Update: Ms. Navas has had two conversations with Julio Robaina from Academica. Ms. Navas asked if there are any neighboring Academica 6-12 schools that can host an elementary school for a successful feeder pattern. He states that ISHC Charter School currently has no space for ACE. However, there are two possible locations that can be identified for future facility for ACE that he is working on. This, however, will take 2 years to plan.
- Facility Lease expires in June 2027, and Ms. Navas asked the landlord for a draft on the next amendment. This will be needed for the renewal process.
- Renewal updates: The school had a technical call with the district and continues to work for the renewal. The timeline has been shared with the board. Applications are due August 6th to the district. Later in this process the board president and Jeff Wood will be engaged for contract negotiations.
- Security Agreement will continue with Team Shields
- Speech Contract will be with Speak Up Speech
- ESE Contract will be Holistic Learning
- Egis Insurance renewal is in the process.
- Summer School will not be hosted at ACE this year. There are 13 students going to Kinloch Park Elementary (Summer Site for MDCPS). The district will be providing the 3rd grade retention course for our students.
- School Data has been displayed and reviewed with the board.
- Principal Evaluation will be shared with the board for review and approval.
- School Leader Transition Presentation.
Ms. Navas announces to the Board her retirement as ACE Principal, effective July 1st; noting that she will continue working at the school four days a week mentoring the new director on ACE's work structure and proposes that the official transition take place once the accreditation renewal process is complete, handing over the role to Ms. Tide, who has been training for the position. JC Fernandez approves the transition; however, Lisa Capote requests a search for potential applicants be conducted as soon as possible for the board's final decision. Dr. Stein asks if we have a procedure for this and suggests posting the principal position with the Florida Charter School Alliance. Ms. Musiet also offers to post the vacancy with The Children's Trust.

- Personnel Updates: The enrollment count is low for the next school year. We currently have 240 students in our school. Therefore, one teacher contract will not be provided to a teacher.

VIII. Extended Public Comment (non-agenda items only)

IX. Comments from the Board (non-agenda items only) *

X. Reconfirmation of Next Board Meeting on August 20, 2026

XI. Adjournment: The board members adjourned at 2:56pm

**Individuals wishing to address the board of directors under Public Comments are requested to sign up with the recording secretary prior to the start of the meeting. Individuals are limited to three minutes for their comments. *The board will not respond to extended public comments during the meeting but will follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner.*

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By: X Lisa Capote, Board President