



The Accelerated Schools Regular Meeting Minutes

Date and Time

Wednesday, February 25, 2025, 10:00am **(Unapproved Minutes)**

Location

4000 S. Main Street, Los Angeles, CA 90037 (MPR)

Teleconference location: TAS 2 – 119 E. 37th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90011

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Board Members Present: Leonard Rabinowitz (LR), Larry Picus (LP), Binti Yost (BY), Brittany Brooks (BB), and Lindsay Berz (LB).

Board Members Absent: Peter Morrison

Guest Speakers: N/A

AGENDA

Meeting Called to Order: 10:03 AM

Approval of Board Meeting Agenda: February 25, 2026

- 1st Motion: LB
- 2nd Motion: BB
- Approved 5-0

Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes: September 17, 2025

- 1st Motion: LP
- 2nd Motion: LR
- Approved 5-0

Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes: December 17, 2025

- 1st Motion: LP
- 2nd Motion: LR
- Approved 5-0

Approval of Annual Board Meeting Minutes: December 17, 2025

- 1st Motion: LP
- 2nd Motion: LR
- Approved 5-0

PUBLIC COMMENTS on Non-Agenda Items:

1. Ms. Sanchez- Regarding update on Metal Detectors: parent stated that there has been no movement in the progress of obtaining metal detectors. Parent stated that students are scared after the lockdown that occurred on all campuses yesterday, February 24, 2026. Parent commented that the current security guard at ACES is not armed, and she would like to have an armed security officer again at ACES.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS AND REPORTS

1. Thank you to everyone for being present.

CEO'S PRESENTATION AND REPORT - February 25, 2026 CEO Report

- Promotional Video
 - Video of our afterschool partners (ARC) and the variety of enrichment and educational programs students have access to after school. This video will be published on our social media pages.
- Resident School Comparison of the 2025 California Dashboard
 - Review of distance from standard (DFS) for each site for ELA, Math, English Language Proficiency, Chronic Absenteeism, Suspension, and Graduation (WAHS only) rates.
- WAHS Math Pilot Program Update
 - Current 11th graders have improved their DFS on the Math ICA from -136 when assessed in 10th grade at the end of the 2024-2025 school year to -62 when they took the same assessment (Math ICA) in Winter 2025. The growth is attributed to smaller class sizes, doubled Math instructional minutes, and work done to improve the quality of Math instruction.
 - The board requested to view the comparison of the 2024 to 2025 CA Dashboard growth.

- Accelerated Core Values
 - In alignment with the TAS three-year strategic plan; reviewed our process for determining our four core values for the organization. The four Core Values are:
 - Joyful Achievement
 - Excellence for All
 - Impact
 - Trust and Belonging

STAFF PRESENTATIONS, REPORTS, AND ACTION ITEMS

1. Information Item: Financial & State Budget Update
 - a. Reviewed updated forecast: earnings before depreciation and State budget update
2. Information Item: Attendance/Enrollment Snapshot and Interventions for ACES, TAS, and WAHS
 - a. Reviewed Year-to-Date Average Daily Attendance (ADA) as of February 23, 2026; reviewed enrollment as of February 23, 2026, for all sites; reviewed attendance interventions and continuous improvements
3. Information Item: Local Control and Accountability Plan Midyear Update and Local Control Funding Formula budget overview for parents for ACES, TAS, WAHS
 - a. Reviewed the components of the Mid-year update versus the components included in the End-of-Year LCAP
 - b. Reviewed the Budget Overview for parents, Available Outcomes, Financial Expenditures YTD, and the Implementation of Actions.
 - c. All components are on-track
4. Information Item: Proposal for Capital Campaign
 - a. Update on Capital Campaign
5. Action Item: Pupil Behavioral Health Concerns and Youth Behavioral Health Training for ACES, TAS, and WAHS
 - a. Reviewed the importance of this policy/training; discussed equitable access for high-risk groups, staff training requirements, governance, and oversight
 - b. No public comments; No Discussion
 1. 1st Motion: LR
 2. 2nd Motion: LP
 3. Approved 5-0
6. Action Item: Fiscal Year 2026 Second Interim for ACES, TAS, WAHS
 - a. Review of the second interim
 - b. No public comments; No Discussion
 1. 1st Motion: LR

2. 2nd Motion: LP
 3. Approved 5-0
7. Action Item: Consider and Possibly Approve Proposal for Annual Audit Services for Fiscal Year 2026
 - a. Reviewed the Christy White proposal and the CliftonLarsonAllen audit proposal.
 1. Recommendation: Remain with Christy White.
 - b. No public comments; No Discussion
 - c. Motion to approve Christy White as the vendor for Annual Audit Services for Fiscal Year 2026
 1. 1st Motion: LR
 2. 2nd Motion: LB
 3. Approved 5-0
8. Information / Action Item: Public Hearing and Sunshine of The Accelerated Schools' Initial Proposal for a Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement with SEIU Local 99
 - a. Reviewed legal requirement, contract status, articles proposed to open, and purpose
 - b. Opened the public hearing for members of the public to address the Board on this item
 - c. No public comments; No Discussion
 1. 1st Motion: LR
 2. 2nd Motion: LP
 3. Approved 5-0
9. Information / Action Item: Public Hearing and Sunshine of SEIU Local 99 Initial Proposal for a Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement
 - a. Reviewed legal requirement, contract status, SEIU Local 99 Initial Proposal, and purpose
 - b. Opened the public hearing for members of the public to address the Board on this item
 - c. No public comments; No Discussion
 1. 1st Motion: LP
 2. 2nd Motion: LR
 3. Approved 5-0

Consent Item for Board approval:

1. FY25 Audit Report
2. School Accountability Report Card (SARC) for ACES, TAS, and WAHS
3. LAUSD Material Revisions Resolution for ACES, TAS, and WAHS

4. Vendor FY26 Agreements: Little Citizens, Impact Facilities, PRN Nursing, Hey Tutor, SchoolHouse Consulting, Swing Education, JSP Educational Services, Math Yogi, New Teacher Center

Discussion: No discussion

Approval of items:

- 1st Motion: LR
- 2nd Motion: LP
- Approved 5-0

Adjourn to Closed Session: 10:45 AM

1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE
2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION: CEO
3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
Agency-designated representatives: Dr. Cynthia Foley and Oliver Yee, Employee for Service Employees International Union Local 99 (SEIU)

Reconvene to Open Session: 11:45am

- No action taken

Adjournment: 11:46am