ASPEN ACADEMY
Enriching students from the roots up

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: __June 15th, 2026__ Time: _6:00pm___ Location:_ Aspen Media Center

School Board Norms of Engagement 2026 The Board of Aspen Academy will	
Tenacity	• form cohesion, cooperate, respectfully engage, listen effectively, and remain future minded.
High Expectations	• keep students first, speak with one voice, operate as a governance board.
Integrity	• always remain respectful to staff, employees, parents, students and other stakeholders, hear all voices before key decisions, maintain oversight, and work together to carry out our responsibilities.
Notable Accountability	• always assume positive intent, be accountable for self-behaviors and their impact on board activities, be open to clarifying questions, constructive comments and relevant discussions, and read all materials before board meetings.
Kindness	• treat each other with respect at all times, respect time allotted for all presentations at board meetings, and respect each other's time.

- **CALL TO ORDER AT _6:05pm___**

  In attendance __Stephanie Oberloh, Kristin Carlson, Stephanie Smitley, Eric Sandberg, Michael Faulise, Victoria Regehr, Liliya Tsibulko_____________

  Authorizer Comments ____

  Community Comments ____________________

  Community members must pre-register to speak at the meeting. Items are limited to those motions on the night's agenda. The Board Chair has the discretion to hear a community member who has not pre-registered, but items remain limited to those on the agenda.

- Motion: **Approval of Agenda**

  First _Smitley_ Second _Regehr_ Yes __X(5)__ No _________ Abst _________

- Motion: **Approval of Minutes** (May 18th, 2026).

  First _Tsibulko_ Second _Smitley_ Yes _X(6)__ No _________ Abst _________

ASPEN ACCOLADES (Mr. Sandberg): The Board Student Reps did an awesome job this year! 5th grade for a great Bridging ceremony and the 8th grade team for putting on the 8th grade graduation. Ms. Jacobson and the Field Day committee for an amazing field day! Shout out to Mr. Morken for providing lunch from Buffalo Wild Wings to the staff on the last day. It is always appreciated! Shout out to the staff for their hard work and dedication and their faith in Aspen leadership this year. Shout out to Ms. Mong and Ms. Theis for their leadership this school year.

Approve the following consent agenda items:

- Deris Morgan, para (effective 5-20-26)
- Sandra Bergen, teacher (effective 5-28-26)
- Emily Dalsin, teacher (effective 6-3-26)
- Maia Noer, position change to on-call sub
- Maxine Abernathy, position change to on-call sub

Service Agreements for 2026-2027

- Creative Planning for Tax Prep services 990
- The Stepping Stones Group for Early Childhood Special Education/DD teacher
- Sentient Healthcare for Audiology services
- Pediatric Psych Services for ASD consultant
- Wordplay Speech and Language Services for OT and Speech/Language pathology
- S. Poesch for physical impairment services
- Moving Matters, LLC for DAPE services
- Capernaum Pediatric Therapy, Inc. for Physical Therapy services
- EdSource Midwest for blind/visually impaired services and SPED teacher
- cmERDC for payroll services
- ProCare Therapy for Special education teacher

First _Smitley_ Second _Oberloh_ Yes _X(6)__ No _________ Abst _________

Program Services Committee (Smitley/Carlson)

- Administration Report: Spring data presentation by Dr. Erin Haley-Strub
  - FastBridge spring data from students continuously enrolled. Reading – 5 grades had gains in 2 or more measures, 2 grades had gains in 1 measure. K -83% on target, 2-5 – 82% on target, 6-8 -80% on target. CBM reading 2-5 – 74% on target. MDE Literacy Composite score, met goal of over 60% low concern.
  - Math – 6 grades had gains in 2 or more measures, 3 grades had gains in 1 measure. EarlyMath K – 81% on target, aMath 2-5- 78% on target, 6-8 75% on target.

- New items for next year in addition to current plan – integration of curricular materials, data meetings with SpEd case managers, tier 2 focus for PBIS, focus on family engagement, 4-8 data screening timeline changes.

Thank you, Dr. Erin!

- Motion**: Approve the Scholar/Caregiver Handbook, 2nd Read.**

  First _Carlson_ Second _Regehr_ Yes _X(6)__ No _________ Abst _________

- Committee Report: The committee met May 22 to review the Wellness Policy and review what needs to be done for the Food Service audit.

Finance & Facility Committee (Tsibulko)

- Committee Report: The committee did not meet. Presentation of Financials by Nate Winter – 92% of the fiscal year is complete. 92% revenue and expenditures. Audit starts August 12. Will be making about $5,000/month on interest with ANB. Sterling accounts should be closed out at the end of June.

- Motion**: Approve the May check register.**

  First _Smitley_ Second _Tsibulko_ Yes _X(6)__ No _________ Abst _________

Board Elections, Responsibilities & Governance Committee (Smitley/Tsibulko)

- Motion**: Approve the Charter Renewal Contract with Friends of Education.**

  First _Smitley_ Second _Regehr_ Yes _X(6)__ No _________ Abst _________

- Committee Report: The committee did not meet.

Community Engagement Committee (Regehr/Carlson)

- Committee Report: The committee did not meet.

Strategic Planning Committee (Faulise)

- Committee Report: The committee did not meet.

Thank you to Michael Faulise for his work as board chair and on the board for so many years. His knowledge and experience will be missed in the fall.

- **Adjournment at __7:11pm_____**

- First _Carlson_ Second _Smitley_ Yes _X(6)__ No _________ Abst _________