



Ina A. Colen Academy

Governing Board Meeting - **IN PERSON**

IACA Conference Room
5080 SW 66th Court Road
Ocala, FL 34481

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Tuesday, April 18th, 2023 - 6:00 pm

VISION

Ina A. Colen Academy will educate the hearts and minds of students and families in an environment where everyone belongs, works together, and thrives.

MISSION

To cultivate passionate learners in an inclusive school community in which individuality and diversity are valued and students develop understanding and empathy for others through collaboration and active learning.

Attendees: Robert Colen, Annie Avery, Vanessa Baxley, Rebecca Rogers, Autumn Barfield, Kay Fleischaker, Janet Behnke, Ken Colen, Christine Mentis, Tabitha Jones, Jim Walkup, Harvey Taub, Nina Stanley, Brenda Maynard

Absent: Mery Lossada

Agenda

1. **Call to Order-** (1 min.) RC called meeting to order 6:00 pm. Meeting properly noticed on iacafl.org.
2. **Additions or corrections to the agenda** – (1 min.) NONE
3. **Welcome - Robert Colen** (1 min.) Christine Mentis from Charter School Unit introduced her work with the Board Governance Program- a new initiative with FLDOE. Offered support to the IACA Board and Annie Avery.
4. **Consent Agenda** (1 min.)
 - a. March 2023 Meeting Minutes (*Attachment A*)
 - b. Board Operations Calendar update (*Attachment B*)

Motion: I move to approve the consent agenda.

HT: Motion to approve the consent agenda.

KF: Second

Motion carries unanimously.
5. **Reports-** (25 minutes)
 - a. Finance Committee - School Financial Services (*Attachment C*) TJ reviewed March financials; HT inquired about FEFP revenue; TJ explained the FEFP revenue line doesn't include the Foundation loan revenue.
 - b. Nominating Committee – Board Resolution DRAFT (*Attachment D*) RR reviewed the DRAFT resolution for board classes. The Foundation's recommendation for board classes are as follows: ML has self-elected to be the sole member of the July 2023 class. KF and JB will be Class of 2024. HT and RC will be Class of 2025. KF strongly advises the Board to recruit an educator/former educator to serve on the Board. RR noted her advice. RR to complete the resolution and bring to May meeting for official vote. Per the bylaws, the Foundation has interviewed a potential board member. Nominating committee to meet prior to May 16th.

JB: Motion to approve the board classes

HT: Second

Motion carries unanimously.

- c. Audit Committee - Autumn Barfield (*Attachment E*) AB reviewed audit RFP responses. Audit committee recommends selecting CS&L as the firm due to the complex structure of the entities.
KF: Motion to approve CS&L as the auditor for the annual school audit.
HT: Second
Motion Carries unanimously.
 - d. Facilities Update- Jim Walkup- (5 min.) JW updated re: FF&E for new classrooms; screenwall for playground; Firebox and speaker issues throughout the campus; working with AA to solve.
 - e. Principal's Report - Annie Avery - (up to 15 min.) (*Attachment F*) Reviewed results of school wide test for current speaker system; staff hirings are almost complete; curriculum review for 2023 including CIVICS curriculum- MCPS won't announce the selection until August- AA doesn't want to wait until then to select the curriculum; reviewed graduation dates for K5, 5th, 6th.
- 6. New Business**
- f. Principal Evaluation Update – BM has visited the campus resulting in good conversations, observations, and positive experience of the IACA culture. Committee meets on 4/26 to finalize the review. RC will conduct the review of AA. AA asked about student data results. VB stated last testing is 5/16-5/17. BM said student data will be the last portion of the official review, but the current indicators are positive.
 - g. Board Governance Training 2 hr. refresher course reminder – RR reviewed the current status of BOD members and the refresher courses; all BOD members should complete the course by August 2023.
- 7. Roundtable Discussion (5 min.)
 - 8. Public Comment- *Public comment is limited to 3 minutes.* NONE
 - 9. Adjourn – Next Meeting **May 16th at 6:00 pm.** Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm

Board Packet:

March 2023 Meeting Minutes

Principal's Report

Financial Reports