

Ina A. Colen Academy

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

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Tuesday, August 15th, 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, Ken Colen, Rebecca Rogers, Autumn Barfield, Nina Stanley, Janet Behnke, Kay Fleischaker, Sukhbir Nijher, Harvey Taub, Tabitha Jones, Jim Walkup

GUESTS: Roseann Fricks, Rebecca Erdwig, Nancy Erdwig

Agenda

- 1. Call to Order Robert Colen at 6:00 pm; quorum established; meeting properly noticed on iacafl.org
- 2. Additions or corrections to the agenda New Business Revised Affiliation Agreement
- 3. Welcome Robert Colen
- 4. Consent Agenda

All items with letter designations (4a-4d) were approved with one motion with no discussion unless otherwise noted

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Janet Behnke, second by Sukbihr Nijher; motion carries unanimously.

- a. Meeting Minutes July (ATTACHMENT A) Board approved the minutes from July 18, 2023 board meeting
- b. Meeting Minutes July Special Called Meeting (ATTACHMENT B) Board approved the minutes from July 19, 2023 special called meeting
- c. FY 2024 Board Operations Calendar (ATTACHMENT C) Board approved the updated operations calendar
- d. Audit Planning Letter (ATTACHMENT D) Board approved the audit planning letter

5. Committee Reports

a. Principal - (ATTACHMENT E)

Mr. Ayres approved opening after on-site review of premises; received referendum dollars total amount which is an increase over projection; PIP "Parents in Parliament" committee is forming and Dr. Nijher will serve as board representative; PIP committee will be a board-advised committee; minutes will be taken at each meeting for board approval; Fundraisers are planned such as Fall Dance and Book Fair; cafeteria is in full operation; IACA received lots of support from families during teacher return to work week in the form of donated meals.

b. Finance - (ATTACHMENT F)

TJ reviewed July financials including Revenue and Expense summary; ESSR funds cease in September 2024

c. Audit

AB reported no findings on final audit; thanked SFS for a job well done; AB and SFS worked together to review and update internal controls and the reporting of financials to ensure success in Year 2. Full report is available in Dropbox.

d. Building

JW received MC, Fire, and Health Dept. certifications for upgraded cafeteria; screen wall is installed and fabric samples received as an addition to the wall; all FF&E minus outdoor dining tables have been received; AC review and repairs have been completed; lightning strike today at 4:00 pm and security cameras were damaged; functioning to standards but will be fully repaired tomorrow.

6. New Business

a. Instructional and Reading Materials Policy (ATTACHMENT G)

Board approved the motion to adopt the instructional and reading materials policy and establish a Materials Review Committee to be chaired by the School Principal.

Motion: Harvey Taub Second: Robert Colen Motion carries.

b. Updated Enrollment Policy (ATTACHMENT H)

Board approved the motion to adopt the updated enrollment policy.

Motion: Janet Behnke Second: Harvey Taub Motion carries.

c. Board Committees Review (ATTACHMENT I)

RR discussed the required committees and additional ones of the Board. Board activity and responsibilities should be accomplished at the committee level and reported to the board at large. These committees will have agendas, take minutes, and appoint a chair. All actions fall under the board's adopted bylaws and policies.

d. Demand Letter to MCPS (ATTACHMENT J)

Board approved the motion to send the demand letter to Mr. Jeremy Powers of MCPS.

Motion: Janet Behnke Second: Kay Fleischaker

Motion carries

e. Revised Affiliation Agreement (ATTACHMENT K)

Board approved the motion to adopt the revised Affiliation Agreement.

Motion: Janet Behnke Second: Harvey Taub

Motion carries

- 7. Roundtable Discussion (5 min.)
- **8.** Public Comment- Public comment is limited to 3 minutes.

Ms. Nancy Erdwig inquired about a policy provision to counterchallenge an objection to reading or instructional materials. She offered to volunteer to assist with high school accreditation at the appropriate time.

9. Adjourn – Next Meeting October 17th at 6:00 pm Moved to adjourn by Robert Colen at 7:05 pm.

Board Packet:

Agenda Attachments