



## Colorado Springs Charter Academy

Special Board Meeting Minutes | April 9, 2026 | 4:00 PM | Location- CSCA

**Vision:** We kindle enthusiasm to craft bold and effective citizen-scholars

**Mission:** Colorado Springs Charter Academy is love for community expressed in action. We are entrusted with dear purchase, to bind our students' days of innocence and joy with structure, content and character. To accomplish this, we cultivate the individual potential of all our students by: providing academically rigorous, proven, content-rich educational programs; developing incisive analytical skills and well-stocked minds; fostering self-advocacy, passion, citizenship, and exemplary character; holding individualized high expectations; involving and welcoming parents and community members.

**CORE VIRTUES** – Respect & Responsibility/Self-Control & Discipline/Wonder/Charity/Courage/Love of Country/Faithfulness/Graciousness & Courtesy/Joy

### 1. Meeting Called to Order:

A regular meeting of the Colorado Springs Charter Academy board of directors was called to order by Board Vice President Jill Gaebler at 4:00 PM.

#### Roll Call

Board members present: President Jill Gaebler, Vice President Aster Klien, Treasurer Patrick Foley, Secretary Philip Litner

CSCA staff attending the meeting: HOS Zoe Ann Holmes, Kevin Dolley

Others attending the meeting: Sarah Siegrist, Michelle Fisher

### 2. Public Comments: N/A

### 3. Approvals:

#### Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

- Motion: Philip Litner
- Second: Patrick Foley
- Vote: Unanimous/Passed

#### 4. Other Items:

##### **Key Points discussed:**

- Board reviewed a resolution related to building financing
- Discussion included:
  - Use of building corporation structure
  - Entering into bond financing
  - Requirement for matching funds/funding strategy
  - Explanation of:
    - Offering documents
    - Investor risk
    - Lease structure (year-to-year to comply with TABOR)

#### 5. Motion:

##### **Bond Resolution**

- Motion: Aster Klien
- Second: Philip Litner
- Vote: Unanimous/Passed

##### **School calendar for 2026 – 2027 school year accepted**

- Motion: Patrick Foley
- Second: Aster Klien
- Vote: Unanimous/Passed

#### 6. Executive Session

- Entered executive session at: 4:08 pm
- Returned to open session at: 5:00 pm

#### 7. Head of School Report (Zoe Ann Holmes)

- Enrollment: 251 students (K-8)
- Marketing/advertising efforts ongoing (billboards)
- Contracted with Schola:
  - Goal: increase enrollment and streamline onboarding
- Safety updates:
  - Broken windows being replaced
  - Facility repairs in progress
- Hiring Updates:
  - New middle school writing teacher hired – Julius Simmons
  - Additional teaching positions open
- Testing updates:
  - CMAS testing underway
  - Minimal opt-outs
- Finance/facility:
  - Rentals limited due to facility work
  - SECSA board approved funding

## **8. Finance Report (Sarah Siegrist)**

- March financials recently closed – reports just sent
- \$135,000 in preliminary project expenses (grant-related)
- Prior month showed surplus (\$200k+), current dip expected due to expenses
- Budget planning underway for FY27
- Finance committee still finalizing reporting timelines

## **9. Board Discussion Items**

- Changing board retreat date to 5/7/2026 pending availability of the venue

## **10. Facilities Presentation (Michelle Fisher)**

- Overview of the schematic design phase, including early-stage design concepts and layout planning
- Discussion of project milestones, outlining anticipated phases of development and projected timelines
- Identification of key infrastructure needs, including:
  - Replacement and upgrading of electrical systems
  - General facility improvements and modernization efforts

## **11. Adjourn**

\* Motion to adjourn at 5:38 by Philip Litner, Patrick Foley Second, unanimously approved.

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