



Achievement House Cyber Charter School Board of Trustees
Public Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 21, 2026

The Executive Session commenced at 6:00 p.m. and concluded at approximately 7:10 p.m.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Roll Call
 - Mrs. Marilou Strangarity (President) – Present
 - Mr. Bob Worn (Vice President) – Present
 - Mr. Don Fraatz (Secretary) – Present
 - Dr. Bob Maranto (Member) – Not Present
 - Mrs. Maryanne Cullen (Member) – Present
 - Dr. Lisabeth Sweeney (Member) – Not Present
- III. Notification of Recording
 - A. Marilou Strangarity announced that the Public Session would be recorded on an audio device.
- IV. Executive Session Statement
 - A. M. Strangarity announced that the Board held an Executive Session this evening to discuss personnel matters, financial matters, and legal issues.
- V. Postponement of Annual Board Meeting and Election of Officers
 - A. Brian Leinhauser called for a motion to postpone the Annual Board Meeting and Election of Officers and to permit the current Officer to continue serving in their respective capacities until a reorganization meeting can be convened with a fully constituted Board at a later date.
 - B. Motion to postpone the Annual Board Meeting and Election of Officers, allowing the current Officers to continue serving in their respective capacities until a reorganization meeting is called to order was made by D. Fraatz. The motion was seconded by M. Cullen. All ayes; motion carried unanimously.
 - C. M. Strangarity noted that the postponement is necessary due to the resignation of Board Member Lisabeth Sweeney and the conclusion of Board Member Bob Maranto's term. B. Maranto is no longer eligible to serve as a Board member due to residency requirements under state law. B. Maranto has requested to continue serving the Board in an advisory capacity.
- VI. Approval of the Minutes
 - A. M. Strangarity called for a motion to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2026, Board meeting.
 1. Motion to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2026, Board meeting was made by D. Fraatz and seconded by M. Cullen. All ayes; motion carried unanimously.
- VII. Discussion: Academic Video Report
 - A. M. Strangarity asked whether there were any questions or comments regarding the Academic Video Report.
 - B. Victoria Nesti reported that she had no additional updates for the Board. She took a moment to wish Angela Alderfer well following her recent departure and expressed appreciation for her many years of service and contributions to Achievement House. V. Nesti noted that, despite this unexpected transition, staff have been instrumental in identifying ongoing processes and upcoming initiatives that require attention during this time of year. She shared that she is energized by the team's collective commitment to providing the best possible experience for students and families and to ensuring that every student feels like a learning V.I.P. V. Nesti further reported that she, Ana Meyers, and the leadership team are focused on balancing short-term priorities with longer-term strategic goals and are working to capture and refine future initiatives.
- VIII. Discussion: Special Education Video Report
 - A. M. Strangarity asked whether there were any questions or comments regarding the Special Education Video Report.
 - B. Trina Knauff reported that she had no additional updates for the Board.
 - C. B. Worn commented how her report was thorough as always and that her whole team is so well prepared.
- IX. Discussion: Curriculum Video Report

- A. M. Strangarity asked whether there were any questions or comments regarding the Curriculum Video Report.
 - B. Jodi Byrne provided an update to her report. She noted that V. Nesti and A. Meyers have joined the School Improvement Team's work with the Intermediate Unit (IU) and will assist with completing the report, which she anticipates sharing with the Board in the near future.
- X. Discussion: Enrollment/Marketing Video Report
- A. M. Strangarity asked whether there were any questions or comments regarding the Enrollment/Marketing Video Report.
 - B. Becky Aller provided an update to her report, noting that current enrollment stands at 729 students. She reported that 50 students are ready to be enrolled in August, and 58 prospective students are in the process of completing enrollment forms. B. Aller stated that her team is aggressively pursuing new student enrollments. She also shared that the first Launch Pad for the 2026-2027 school year will be held on August 10, 2026, and that Launch Pad sessions will continue daily.
- XI. Discussion: HR Video Report
- A. M. Strangarity asked whether there were any questions or comments regarding the HR Video Report.
 - B. Stefani Frank reported that V. Nesti was promoted to Chief Operating Officer (COO) and D. Asplen transitioned into the Chief Information Officer (CIO) role. She further reported that Angela Alderfer resigned, creating a vacancy in the Principal position. Leadership is using this opportunity to evaluate the position and assess the school's current and future needs before posting the vacancy. S. Frank also noted that the organizational chart has been updated, and new director positions have been added to strengthen each department.
 - C. B. Worn commented that the organizational chart was well designed and thoughtfully structured.
- XII. Discussion: Guidance Video Report
- A. M. Strangarity asked whether there were any questions or comments regarding the Guidance Video Report.
 - B. Kris Botes provided an update to her report, noting that Morgan Soika has resigned. K. Botes reported that Ms. Soika's caseload has been redistributed among the school counselors. She further shared that summer school is concluding, with grades due by August 5, 2026. K. Botes stated that up to 25 seniors may be eligible to graduate.
 - C. M. Strangarity asked whether it has been challenging to recruit school counselors. S. Frank replied that, while qualified candidates can be found, it is more difficult to find individuals who share the school's passion and commitment to serving students.
- XIII. Finance/Business Report
- A. Ryan Schumm presented the monthly Treasurer's Report, providing an overview of the school's financial position and highlighting key items for discussion. He emphasized Achievement House's commitment to financial transparency, noting that all revenues and expenditures are clearly documented and available for review.
 - B. M. Strangarity commented that the financial report reflects the strong financial position of the school. She expressed appreciation for the efforts of D. Asplen and R. Schumm in helping to ensure the school's financial stability and thanked the leadership team for their collective work in achieving these results.
 - C. M. Strangarity called for a motion to approve the written Treasurer's Report.
 - 1. Motion to approve the written Treasurer's Report was made by B. Worn and seconded by D. Fraatz. All ayes; motion carried unanimously.
- XIV. Discussion: CEO Video Report
- A. M. Strangarity asked whether there were any questions or comments regarding the CEO Video Report.
 - B. Ana Meyers acknowledged the recent organizational changes and expressed appreciation for Angela Alderfer's contributions to Achievement House, wishing her well in her future endeavors. A. Meyers shared her optimism for the future of the school and the opportunities available for both students and staff. She noted the importance of continued innovation to remain competitive within the charter school landscape. One of her goals is to ensure that students graduate with a clear sense of direction and a pathway toward their future aspirations, while continuing to make a meaningful difference in their lives. A. Meyers also reported that she has enjoyed meeting individually with staff members and has found those interactions both valuable and rewarding. Additionally, A. Meyers highlighted a recent legislative success, noting that

there were no funding cuts affecting the school this year and that some changes to the School Code were approved. She expressed appreciation to Guy Ciarrocchi, Drew Crompton, and all those who contributed to these efforts.

XV. Personnel

A. New Hires:

1. Victoria Nesti, Director of Family & Student Experience, 6/30/26

B. Promotions:

1. Stefani Frank, Director of Human Resources, 7/1/26
2. Victoria Nesti, Chief Operating Officer, 7/13/26

C. Position/Title Changes:

1. Don Asplen, Chief Operating Officer, 6/2/26
2. Don Asplen, Chief Information Officer, 7/13/26
3. Becky Aller, Enrollment Manager, 7/1/26
4. Lorenzo Falcone, Marketing Strategy Manager, 7/1/26
5. Evan Trexler, Brand & Digital Content Designer, 7/1/26

D. Salary Changes:

1. Kelsey Montgomery, Student Success & Events Coordinator, 7/1/26
2. Tara Veasey, Act 158 Administrator, 7/1/26

E. Separations:

1. Renee Kaighn, Reading Specialist, 6/30/26
2. Laura Giering, Special Education Teacher, 6/30/26
3. Morgan Soika, School Counselor, 7/17/26
4. Angela Alderfer, Principal, 7/17/2026

F. Open Positions:

1. Director of Enrollment & Student Services
2. Director of Family & Student Experience
3. Career Teacher
4. Principal

G. M. Strangarity called for a motion to approve all the personnel changes as listed above with salaries as discussed in the Executive Session.

1. Motion to approve all the personnel changes as listed above with salaries as discussed in the Executive Session by B. Worn and seconded by D. Fraatz. All ayes, unanimous.

XVI. Governance

A. Board Member Resignation

1. A. Meyers called for a motion to accept the resignation of Board Member Lisabeth Sweeney.
 - a. Motion to accept the resignation of Board Member Lisabeth Sweeney was made by D. Fraatz and seconded by M. Cullen. All ayes; motion carried unanimously.
2. M. Strangarity expressed that the Board is extremely thankful and grateful for L. Sweeney's years of service and for everything she has brought to the school: her devotion, knowledge, and dedication. There is tremendous appreciation for her years of service at Achievement House.

B. MOU with Uwchlan Township Police Department

1. A. Meyers called for a motion to approve the MOU with Uwchlan Township Police Department.
 - a. Motion to approve the MOU with Uwchlan Township Police Department was made by B. Worn and seconded by D. Fraatz. All ayes; motion carried unanimously.

C. Anti-Bullying Policy

1. A. Meyers called for a motion to approve the Anti-Bullying Policy.
 - a. Motion to approve the Anti-Bullying Policy was made by D. Fraatz and seconded by B. Worn. All ayes; motion carried unanimously.

D. Advanced Placement Compact

1. A. Meyers called for a motion to approve the Advanced Placement Compact.
 - a. Motion to approve the Advance Placement Compact was made by M. Cullen and seconded by D. Fraatz. All ayes; motion carried unanimously.

E. New Job Descriptions

1. A. Meyers called for a motion to approve the two new job descriptions:
 - a. Brand & Digital Content Designer

b. Marketing Strategy Manager

- i. Motion to approve the two new job descriptions was made by D. Fraatz and seconded by M. Cullen. All ayes; motion carried unanimously.

F. Amend the Agenda to Add Two New Job Descriptions

1. A. Meyers called for a motion to amend the agenda to add two new job descriptions to be approved by the Board:

- a. Director of Family & Student Experience
b. Director of Enrollment & Student Services

- i. Motion to amend the agenda to add the two new job descriptions as listed above to be approved by the Board was made by D. Fraatz and seconded by M. Cullen. All ayes; motion carried unanimously.

2. A. Meyers called for a motion to approve the two new job descriptions:

- a. Director of Family & Student Experience
b. Director of Enrollment & Student Services

- i. Motion to approve the two new job descriptions as listed above was made by D. Fraatz and seconded by B. Worn. All ayes; motion carried unanimously

XVII. New Business

- A. M. Strangarity asked if there was any new business and there was none.

XVIII. Public Comment

- A. M. Strangarity asked if there were any public comments and there were none.

XIX. Adjournment

- A. M. Strangarity called for a motion to adjourn the public meeting at 8:05 p.m. The next Board meeting will be held on August 17, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

1. Motion to adjourn the public meeting was made by D. Fraatz and seconded by M. Cullen. All ayes; motion carried unanimously.