

ATECH GOVERNANCE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 12, 2024

4:00 PM

Location: APPLETON WEST – Room 136

MISSION

The Appleton Technical Academy graduates students who possess the knowledge and skill necessary for successful entry into the career pathways of modern advanced manufacturing.

1. Call to order

a. Attendance

- i. In Attendance – Ryan, Paul, Kari, Matthew, Kristin, Matt, Fritz, Ryan, Paul, Josh, Al Bryant (guest speaker)
- ii. Missing - Yates, Mike?, Morgan

2. Motion to approve minutes from last meeting

- a. First - Matthew
- b. Second - Kari

3. Welcome

- a. Al Bryant – AASD Charter School Liaison
- b. Brandon Buchholz – Laminations (Great Northern Corp)
 - i. Introductions were made around the room

4. Governance Board 101 Training

- a. Al Bryant ran through presentation and answered questions from board members
- b. Al and board members talked for from 4 pm till 4:55 pm. Then Al departed.

5. Board Members

a. Vote-In

- i. N/A

b. Fill Vacant Positions – Vote

- i. Vice President – still open and will discuss more at the next meeting.
- ii. Secretary – Kari was asked and accepted with a condition – she can only fill position till September 2025 (not fulfilling entire position term). Board accepted.
 - 1. Unanimously voted-in

c. Replace/Grow

- i. Grow – Add additional parent representative preferably Freshman parent. Paul received draft parent from Kari and will work with Principal Chudacoff to send it out.
- ii. Replace – Banking Business member – Ryan ask boards opinion about increasing board membership and diversity of members to cover more careers. Fields discussed included automotive, diesel, welding, construction, etc. Board also discussed importance of engagement with local businesses to help grow opportunities and expand courses to meet needs.

6. Staff updates

a. Principal Report:

i. Enrollment - shared enrollments stats among the district and Appleton West program and thoughts on how to grow.

ii. Population reflection - shared how ATECH does not match Appleton West population and ideas how to change that.

b. Dr. Al Brant – AASD Charter School Liaison

i. Understanding board expectations and roles – see attached slides and handouts for more information.

c. Lead Teacher Report: Paul Endter – See Lead Teacher Report

i. Enrollment

ii. Oct 16th Manufacturing Inspirations Event – completed.

iii. Amcor Lab – completed.

iv. Samsung Lab – started.

1. Kari offered to design space.

2. Kari help with sourcing cabinets.

v. OSHA 30 Training – still in work.

1. Follow-up with Yates on what CR Meyer was going to cover – Matt

2. Select best course.

vi. Constructive Trades Expo – scheduled for last week in February 2025

vii. All AASD Charter Fair – scheduled for January 11, 2025 at Appleton West

1. Help spread the word.

2. Hang/hand out flyer to drive attendance.

viii. Summer Camp – Women in Welding – selection

1. Visit <https://www.fmamfg.org/foundation/camps/details/1204/young-women-in-welding-workshop> for details

7. Sub-committees 2024-2025 – Need to confirm a leader and sub-committee board members, non-board sub-committee members (Hold until February 2025 meeting)

a. Community Partnerships

b. Budget/Facilities

c. Marketing/Student Recruitment

d. Curriculum

7. Open Discussion/New Business/Action Items

a. Open Items:

1. Election of VP

2. Parent Representative

3. Sub-committee creation

b. New Business: None

c. Action Items (Who):

1. Follow-up with Yates and Paul about funding OSHA Course (Ryan)

2. Send out Charter Flyer to all board members to share (Paul)

3. Send parent representative request out (Paul, Morgan, and Principal)

4. Reach out to 1 to 2 people to participate as board members (All)
5. Think about marketing program for growth and needs (All)

8. Motion to Adjourn at 5:45 pm

- a. First - Matt
- b. Second – Kari
- c. Next meetings on February 11, 2025 and April 8, 2025 at 4:30 pm in Rm 136

2023-24 Board Members

Name	Organization	Board Position
School Leadership		
Josh Chudacoff	Appleton West/ATECH	Principal
Kristin Comerford	Appleton West High School	Coordinator – Career Based Learning & Career and Technical Education
Paul Endter	ATECH	Lead Teacher
Morgan Still	Appleton West High School	Administrative Assistant
Board Officers		
Ryan Scherer	Miller (ITW)	Board President
Vacant		Vice President
Matthew Prickette	R&R Insurance	Treasurer
Kari Stueber (acting)		Secretary
Kari Stueber	Interior Woodworking	ATECH Parent Representative
Board Members		
Yates Vaden Heuvel	CR Meyer	Member
Mike Catellino	Oshkosh Corp - Pierce	Member
Matt Benner	AZCO	Member
Fritz Stuedemann	Amcor	Member