

Sheboygan Leadership Academy Charter School

Governance Board Meeting Minutes

October 27, 2025

6:00 – 7:00pm

Sheboygan Leadership Academy

The regular meeting of the Governance Board of Sheboygan Leadership Academy will meet at the school located at 1305 St. Clair Avenue on October 27, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. Please note that some Board members may be participating in this Board meeting via teleconference or other remote access technology. Members of the public who attend the meeting will be able to hear any open session dialogue between such members and the Board members present. In addition, the school is offering audio and video access to the meeting via phone connection by calling with access code (US) +1 515-329-5373 PIN: 205 386 429# or video <https://meet.google.com/cof-gpmb-kzc> (Please be aware that a Google account is needed in order to access the meeting from this link.)

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm
2. **Roll Call:** In attendance - Christopher Schnelle, Cris Formolo, Michelle Miller, Laura Studee (Principal), Araceli Roman, Emma Hansen, Andrew Morgan

Absent: Sandra Bayona, Karen Grupe, Joe Sheehan
3. **Approval of Agenda** (action): Cris motioned to approve the October agenda. Michelle seconded. All ayes.
4. **Open Session**
 - a. Public Comment: Mr. Jay Walstrom, Dean of Students in attendance. No comments.
5. **Approval of Minutes** (action): Michelle motioned to approve the September minutes. Emma seconded. All ayes.
6. **Virtue Pick:** *Honesty* read by President, Chris Schnelle
7. **Principal's Report**
 - a. School Update – Laura Studee (information/possible action)
 - i. Halloween week! PT conferences two nights in October had great attendance. Elementary attendance up near 90%. Middle School attendance in the 70-80%.
 - ii. Marketing - SASD launching website Nov. 7th. Promised parent communication app will unfortunately not be available for a min of 6 months.
 - iii. Enrollment - third Friday count came in at 212 students (budgeted at 215). We have about 6 more students interested in enrolling. Enrollment typically doesn't close until January.
 - iv. Forward Testing -

1. Completed. Benchmark changed slightly. The students needing a Personalized Reading Plan (PRP) have been indicated and plans put in motion. This falls under Title I.
2. Results for Language Arts: 44% of our 3rd-8th grade students performed at 'Meeting' or 'Advanced.' District-wide was 42%.
3. Results for Mathematics: 32% of our 3rd-8th grade students performed at 'Meeting' or 'Advanced.' District-wide was 46.1%.
4. Professional Development with the staff went over historical results
- v. State Report Cards will be out November 11
- vi. Trunk or Treat happening at SLA Thursday, Oct. 30th
- vii. Last day of Q1 is October 31st

8. General Report

- a. Board Oversight & Charter Contract Compliance - Chris Schnelle. All up to date.

9. Committee Reports

- a. Executive – Christopher Schnelle (information / possible action). Did not meet.
- b. Finance – Sandra Bayona (information / possible action) Laura standing in for Sandra
 - i. See Personnel notes.
 - ii. Approval of September Financials (information / possible action): Michelle motioned to approve financials. Araceli seconded. All ayes.
- c. Facilities – Chris Schnelle (information / possible action)
 - i. We are in a maintaining season, keeping all things in running order.
- d. Personnel & Recruitment – Joe Sheehan (information / possible action)
 - i. Proposed new salary scale. It hasn't been updated in three years. Not meeting our goal of being at 90% of SASD's salary scale. Proposing a 3.50% increase. The committee agreed to not approve the new salary scale at this time. We will wait until the budget process is further along.
 - ii. Looking for a one-on-one Special Ed aid. Applicants off of Indeed will be interviewed.
- e. Parent Outreach - Michelle Miller / Laura Studee (information)
 - i. Meeting took place on Sept. 30th. Brainstorming fundraising ideas and discussed what families may need.
 - ii. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 4th.

10. Unfinished Business

- a. Properties 1119-1125 N 14th Street: Joe Sheehan's office, along with another contact, looked into grant-funding available for SLA. Unfortunately there is nothing available. We are declining from purchasing.

11. **New Business:** No new business

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12. **Adjourn** (Action): Motion to adjourn by Andrew. Araceli seconded. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 6:51pm

The next SLA Governance Board Meeting will be on Monday, November 24, 2025.

The mission of the Sheboygan Leadership Academy is to inspire students to become leaders through their academic achievement, moral development, and service to others.