



# COLOGNE ACADEMY

School Name Cologne Academy			
Charter Number 4188-07			
Date November 18, 2025			
Address 1221 Village Parkway, Cologne, MN 55322			
	Present	Absent	Year
Board Member Names			
Brian Goldie (BG)		x	3/12
Michael Griesinger (MG) arrived 7:35 pm	x		5/12
Craig Johnson (CJ)	x		3/12
Nathan Kells (NK)	x		4/12
Sheryl Reddig (SR)		x	2/12
Helen Suhr (HS)		x	4/12
John Zwanziger (JZ)	x		5/12
ex-officio Lynn Peterson (LP)	x		5/12
Others Present: Traci LaFerriere; Jana Moeller			
1. Call to Order / Reading of the School Vision & Mission Statement			
By CJ	Time 7:30 pm		
<p>School Vision - Create a content-rich learning environment that prepares K-8 children to achieve their best as scholars and as people of character who will contribute skill and knowledge to their communities.</p> <p>Mission Statement - To prepare scholars for academic success through excellence in literacy by integrating the Core Knowledge Sequence.</p> <p>Review of mission statement and any applicable updates related to it.</p> <p>Board Member Testimonials and 5 minutes silent solo write.</p> <p>Testimonials: CJ - His child has been embarrassed to read but has been making great progress and building confidence by tutoring with Mr. Arndt. Recently they read 3 hours during a family road trip and then relayed a summary of the story for the first time ever! Proud dad moment!</p>			



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## 2. Public Comment to Agenda Items / Guest Speakers

Public comment to agenda items is an open forum portion of the meeting and is an opportunity to present an issue, concern, or other statement to the Board of Directors. Individuals wishing to address the Board regarding an agenda item/s must sign up prior to the Call to Order and will be allotted three (3) minutes. Total public comment will be limited to twenty-one (21) minutes.

Public Comments - None

Guest Speaker - Tyler See, CPA - Senior Manager, from Abdo presented the 2024-25 Audit Results via Google Meet.

## 3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest if any

Board members read the agenda and if they have any real or perceived conflict of interest with any agenda item.

No conflicts

## 4. Approval of the Agenda

Approval of agenda as submitted including:

-Consent Agenda

Motion to:

Made by:

Seconded by:

Discussion:

Vote

	Yea	Nay	Abstain

## School Leader Report and Dashboard Review

Discussion none



5. Approval of Consent Agenda			
<p>Called to approve consent agenda items:            -Approval of October meeting minutes &amp; School Leader written report as written.            School leader report developments, policies, facilities updates, leader reports, and enrollment dashboard including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">LP's Teacher Observation/Feedback</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">CTS Bus Contract 2025-2029</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">ABDO Rep Letter</a> <a href="#">Presentation</a> <a href="#">Financial Audit</a></li> <li>• Background checks for staff and parent volunteers - currently use MN BCA - considering a switch to Trusted Employees in the new year.</li> </ul>			
<p>Motion to Approve Consent Agenda including new CTS bus contract for 2025-2029, October Board Meeting minutes, and School Leader Report.</p>			
Made by: NK		Seconded by: JZ	
Vote			
4	Yea	Nay	Abstain
	4	0	0

6. Organizational Meeting			
Motion to			
Made by:		Seconded by:	
Vote			
	Yea	Nay	Abstain



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<b>7. Policy Development, Review, and Revision</b>			
Motion to			
Made by:		Seconded by:	
Vote			
	Yea	Nay	Abstain

<b>8. Treasurer’s Report - Zwanziger/LaFerriere</b>			
JZ - Auditor issued an unmodified audit opinion for 2024-25 with no compliance issues or findings. Enrollment for current school year is stable and budget is on track.			
Motions to Approve:			
Made by:		Seconded by:	
Vote			
	Yea	Nay	Abstain

<b>9. Strategic Plan Update and Review of Progress Toward Contract Goals</b>			
Motion to			
Made by:		Seconded by:	

<b>10. Board Business (old and new)</b>			
Motion to			
Made by:		Seconded by:	
Discussion:			
Vote			
	Yea	Nay	Abstain



10. Board Training

[Charter Source Board Member Annual Training](#)

**December Trainings**

- Budget Basics
- Understanding Financial Statements

**January Trainings**

- OML Deep Drive
- Enhanced Data Privacy Practices

[CharterSource.org](#)

[MACS Training Calendar](#)

Date: Monthly

Trainer: [CharterSource.org](#)

11. Identify Items for Next Month's Agenda

12. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn at 8:32

Made by: NK

Seconded by: CJ

Discussion

Vote

4	Yea	Nay	Abstain
	4	0	0



# COLOGNE ACADEMY

Next meetings:

Regular Board meeting Tuesday, December 23, 2025

Regular Board meeting Tuesday, January 27, 2026

Name and Contact Information of the Charter School's Authorizer:



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