Board of Director's Meeting

August 31, 2026

General Session 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

I) Preliminary

a) Welcome to Visitors
b) Pledge of Allegiance
c) Director's Roll Call
d) Reading of Team Norms
e) Approval of Last Meeting Minutes
   i) July 27, 2026
f) Approval of Tonight's Agenda

II) Committee Reports

a) Board Development
   i) Legal Training - Bryce Carlson
      • Introductory OPEN Mtg./Records Training
   ii) Annual Colorado Charter League Conference
      • March 3-5, 2026

b) Finance Team
   i) Report
   ii) Financials- June
   iii) Financials- July

c) Growth Feasibility
   i) No Report

d) Personnel
   i) No Report

e) School Accountability
   i) SAC Meetings (3:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.)
      • October 8, 2026
      • December 3, 2026
      • March 25, 2027

III) Administrator's Report

IV) Public Comment

(Comments will be given 2 minutes each)

V) Discussion Items

a) Open Items

VI) For the Good of the Cause

VII) Adjournment of General Session

Executive Session

Pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(f), for discussion of personnel matters concerning Amy Tracy, Executive Director, specifically the Board's evaluation of the Executive Director's performance, and Pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(b), for a conference with the Board's attorney for the purpose of receiving legal requirements and obligations applicable to the evaluation process.

Next Meeting
October 5, 2026

All meeting dates are available online

Team Norms
AACS Board of Directors

- We all commit to having integrity before, during, and after meetings.
- We commit to listening, hearing, and respecting each person's point of view.
- We commit to coming prepared, being engaged, and professional in all our meetings.
- We will all fulfill our commitments and obligations.
- We will review our norms every meeting and evaluate ourselves twice a year.

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*A **team** is a group of people working interdependently to achieve a common goal for which members are mutually accountable.*

Board of Directors Meeting
July 27, 2026

General Session

I. Preliminary
Called to Order 6:02 p.m.

a) Roll Call
i. Ms. Akerly – Presiding
ii. Ms. Horne
iii. Ms. Manuel (Not Present)
iv. Ms. Tracy – Administrator

b) *Reading of team norms by Ms. Akerly*

c) Approval of the last meeting minutes
i. Motion to review and approve the previous Meeting Minutes May 4, 2026 and June 3, 2026, unanimously passed.

d) *Approval of tonight's agenda*
i. Motion to approve tonight's agenda, as presented, by Ms. Arnold
Motion carried unanimously

II. Committee Reports

a) Board Development - Facilitated by Ms. Akerly
i. Board Working Session is scheduled and posted on our Master Calendar online
ii. The Board asked Executive Director, Ms. Tracy if there was any support that was needed on our behalf. There was none.

b) Growth Feasibility - Facilitated by Ms. Akerly
i. There have not been formal meetings yet this year.
ii. Formally move forward with issuing an RFP for Owner's Representative Services
  1. This will ensure we remain aligned with procurement and policy requirements should Aurora Academy receive any portion of our BEST Grant request and need Owner's Representative support
     i. Won't know until November, but we want to remain prepared
  2. Help with our Master Planning
     i. Form a Committee
  3. Possibly introduce an Owner's Representative to the October OPEN Meeting
iii. Continue to close out Administrative Office Renovation
  1. If we are approved to receive BEST Grant funds, the safety and security portion of our Administrative Reno. will act as a refund
iv. Exterior Envelope Project was a success
v. Revisiting the Asphalt Project
  1. Noting the last bid dated back in October, 2025
  2. Increased pricing by 8%
  3. The Board conducted a detailed review of the updated bid, including a line by line comparison with the original bid to identify changes in scope and pricing
  4. **Ms. Horne motions to approve the asphalt project, not to exceed $432,093**
     i. Passes Unanimously

c) Finance
i. Next Finance Meeting is Scheduled for August 27, 2026

d) School Accountability
i. Ms. Horne is the liaison between SAC and the Board by attending SAC meetings.

e) Executive Director's Report
i. High overview of enrollment

III. For the Good of the Cause

a) Ms. Akerly

   i. Shout out to Amy Tracy, Katie Cory, and Derek Ruiz for spending a whole Saturday pulling weeds in front of our building.

   ii. Really proud of Ms. Tracy's new hire, Mr. Ruiz.

   iii. Shout out to Ms. Tracy for all the collaborative work in the BEST Grant, Administrative Renovation, and Nurse's Office from the last school year, into this summer. Ms. Tracy is delegating and defining administrative team roles with training and direction. Ms. Akerly is proud to work with Aurora Academy and believes Ms. Tracy has done an excellent job. Ms. Akerly is looking forward to this new year.

b) Ms. Tracy

   i. Shout out to Derek Ruiz, who is getting a lot of work done and addressing old open items

c) Ms. Horne

   i. Read the book Hope Rising and the biggest indicator of wellbeing is hope. The teachers do a good job increasing hope in our students. Aurora Academy is hope filled.

IV. Next Meeting is a Board Working Session on August 17, 2026

Will be posting the agenda online.

V. Adjournment of General Session at 7:00 p.m.

AACS Finance Leadership Mtg | Aug 27, 2026 4pm

Attendees: Amy Tracy Bart Skidmore Racquel Akerly Kayla Horne

Recommendations for the Board

- Tech Dollars: Getting RFP's Out for PA system, cameras, phones, Marquee, and smart boards needs to be redone
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Discussion Items

- We are at 505 on enrollment
- PPR- the district is still updating numbers
- Free and Reduced is going to add to our at risk number that we will get in the budget
- Most building improvement invoices that came in we accrued to last year
- During the year we operate on a cash basis, but we accrue at the end of the year
- Fees from the league have gone up significantly.
- The Facilities Grant will come through for 3 more years it is a downward sliding scale.
- Cash looks very strong- 5.1 million at EOY most of which is in CO trust.
- Tech dollars could be used to replace cameras, PA system, etc.
- We are waiting for Nov ballot initiatives hoping that we could still get BEST Grant
- 9/15 audit items updated.
- 9/25 final audit

Notes

Action items

- [ ] Working on Audit

Administrator's Report

August 31, 2026
Prepared by: Amy Tracy

Academics/Assessment:

- Diagnostics Delayed
  - iReady Roster Sync Delayed
- STAR & Unassisted Writing Completed
- UIP Submitted
- Noted as a Bright Spots Top School again by The 74 for literacy achievement

School Events:

- Parent/Teacher Conferences Sept. 15th & 17th 4:00-7:00 pm
- No School Friday, Sept. 18th - School Closed
- Tailgate Friday, Sept. 25th 5:30-7:30
- Individual Student Photos Tuesday, Oct. 6th
- After School Fall Activities
  - Fall Play Rehearsal
  - Girls on the Run

Compliance & Authorizer Updates:

Culture/Climate:

- Enrollment Update

Board Items:

- Marketing Update
  - Latest Ads
  - Cost on replacing and continuing with the bus shelters $8,470
    - 6 month contract will carry us into Feb.
    - Cost will maintain the benches and the back wall of the shelter therefore decreasing the overall labor cost
    - However, replacing 2 standard shelter walls is included in the quote at $125/ea
  - Annual plan on seasonal ad campaigns (overall "Advertising" budget $20,400)
  - Kick Off Oct 1
- Open House dates - Wednesdays 8:15-9:30
  - Oct. 21
  - Nov. 4
  - Dec. 9
  - Jan. 13 & 27
  - Feb. 3 & 24
  - Mar. 10 & 31

Other:

- Parking Lot Maintenance