

SOTA II, Inc. Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 14 · 5:30 – 6:30pm

This virtual meeting is open to the public.

Questions about SOTA II, Inc. meetings? Email sotaii.inc.lax@gmail.com.

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/yro-hjwy-mxy>

(This call is limited to 1 hour, so I will start it right at 5:30)

2026/2027 SOTA II, Inc. Board Meeting schedule

2nd Monday of the Month: 5:30-6:30 PM

- September 14, 2026
- October 12, 2026
- November 9, 2026
- December 14, 2026
- January 11, 2027
- February 8, 2027
- March 8, 2027
- April 12, 2027
- May 10, 2027
- June 14, 2027

Call to Order/Roll Call, Establish Quorum – Co-Chairs	Welcome Guests & Board members		
	In Attendance	Role	Name
	x	Co Chair	Agatha Hultquist
	x	Co Chair	Danielle Pfeiffer
	x	Vice Chair	Robin Grote
	x	Secretary	Jennifer Miller
	x	Treasurer	Martin Riese
	Kellie unable to attend today.	Principal	Kellie Schmitz
	x	SOTA II Teacher	Erin Schmuck
	Unable to attend	SOTA II Teacher	Erin Rutherford

	x	District Wide Parent (DWP) Rep	Alyson Glenz
	x	6th Grade Parent Rep	John Sustar
	x	7th Grade Parent Rep	Dawn Wacek
		8th Grade Parent Rep	Need to fill
		Community Member	Brittanie Hundt (Peace of Mind Counseling)
		Others	

Agenda Items and Discussion

Reports	Links, Notes, and Questions
Chairperson Report - Agatha/Danielle	● Ice Cream Social Details - SOTA II Board Event ○ Wednesday, 9/16 at 5pm ○ Jennifer Miller bring the frozen treats ○ Board Chairs to give overview and welcome to join board meetings. ○ ParentSquare message went out on 9/3. ○ Flyers went home 9/14. ○ Erin Schmuck bringing bubbles and confirmed this is in office and maintenance staff schedule. ● Road to Reels Details ○ Fall Fundraiser: Thursday, 10/1/26 (raindate 10/8/26) ○ Donate through SOTA II PayPal QR code on donation letter ○ Cash/Check details- Checks made out to SOTA II Inc. ○ Cash receipt form in Google Drive somewhere? Martin to look for it. ○ We need a letter, Agatha, to help with this, the old version is in Google Drive. ○ Direct donations, no company “middle man”, so donations go 100% to SOTA II. ○ Martin to share QR code for PayPal to Schmuck/Agatha for a letter. ○ The letter should go home by the end of this week 9/18. Fundraising doesn’t have to end at the Road to Reels event 10/1. ○ 36 students- snacks needed- fruit like bananas? Officers to handle small snack plans. ○ Students dropped off at Myrick at 8:10. ○ Bike to school, those walking will walk with Kellie. ○ Biking Adults: ■ Robin (bringing Rutherford a bike) ■ Jennifer Miller ■ Any other adults? ● iPad non-technology time - how's it going? ○ Going well, lots of exploring analog activities. iPad reading, coding, etc. for free time to come back eventually, slowly.

	● Check in on staff “fundraising wish list”: ○ Schmuck and Rutherford will think about making a “wish list” for parents for activities and supplies. ● Camping Trip Debrief- tabled for later ● Other upcoming dates/activities to be aware of: ○ Community Art Opportunity-Saturday Oct 10, 9-12 Riverside/Friendship Garden for Sota 1 and 2 kids, Art Workshop. More info to come- limit to number of people? ○ End of October- Winona Marine Art Museum and UMN-Winona Science ● Field trip idea (Alyson Glenz) - FRAGGLE ROCK Back to the ROCK LIVE Official Tickets https://share.google/LbZ7jLqKzK58PWgoV ○ Joint field trip ideas SOTA 1 4th and 5th and SOTA 2- Coulee Arts new facility. We need to coordinate with Teddy and the teachers for the spring. ■ All Glazed Up? Coordinate with Becky Murphy (SOTA 1 board). Possibly around the winter holidays.
Secretary Report – Jennifer Miller	● SOTA II Apparel Update: ○ https://drive.google.com/file/d/1e9131afIKlgYZZxmWPgMiaAuQqYwDY_u/view?usp=sharing ○ Markos Apparel - has a website up and running for the sale. ○ Will use as a fundraiser ○ Have narrowed the list down and will be doing just adult sizes. ○ Added a crew neck sweater also. ○ Timeline: ○ The soonest we could launch is Sept 28. Close the order form October 11. Shirts by October 28-30. Let me know if that works.
Treasurer Report – Martin Riese	● Bank accounts ○ \$392.08 ○ \$3,734.31 (Film academy?) ● No new expenses: ○ Form ○ List ● Vote who should have access to the Altra checking accounts ○ Treasurer (Martin Riese) ○ Co Chair (Agatha Hultquist, Danielle Pfeiffer) ■ Yes: 9 ● Jennifer Miller ● Erin Schmuck ● Alyson Glenz ● Robin Grote ● Dawn Wacek ● John Sustar

	● Agatha Hultquist ● Danielle Pfeiffer ● Martin Riese ■ No: 0 ●  Treasurer Handbook
District Wide Parent Meeting - Alyson Glenz	● No meeting yet.
Teacher Reports – Erin Schmuck & Erin Rutherford	● Fwd: SOTA I & II Art Workshop Partnership Idea - going out in Parent Square ● Erin Schmuck: US History is a theme this year. Planned use of PBS documentaries as a collaboration in Jan-Feb, to be coordinated with planned social studies topics. ● Erin Rutherford (via Schmuck): Science and math off and running.
Principal Report – Kellie Schmitz	● Kellie unable to attend today.
SOTA Community & Community at Large Sharing	●
Open Discussion Topics	
Fundraising	● Fundraising: ○ Apparel Order ○ Road to Reels ○ 50/50 at end of year Film Academy showing ○ Any other ideas?
Adjourn Meeting: meeting adjourned	

SOTA II, Inc. Purpose SOTA II, Inc. is the governing body of SOTA II. The purpose of SOTA II, Inc. is to ensure that the needs of the students are being met, the voices of parents are heard, and the shared Vision and Constructs of SOTA II, as defined in the SOTA II Charter School Contract, are maintained and supported. SOTA II, Inc. will act as liaison between SOTA II and the School District of La Crosse Board of Education.		
Board Positions (2 years)	Logan/SOTA II Staff	Parent Representatives (1 Year Term)
Co Chair Danielle Pfeiffer Agatha Hultquist Vice Chair Robin Grote Secretary Jennifer Miller (Jan 2026 -) Treasurer Martin Riese District Wide Parent Representative Alyson Glenz (8/2025-)	SOTA II Teachers Erin Schmuck eschmuck@lacrossesd.org Erin Rutherford erutherf@lacrossesd.org SOTA II Principal Kellie Schmitz kschmitz@lacrossesd.org	(8th) (08-01-26 to 07-31-27) Dawn Wacek (7th) (08-01-26 to 07-31-27) John Sustar (6th) (08-01-26 to 07-31-27)
		Members at Large (2 years) Community Representatives
		Brittanie Hundt <i>Peace of Mind Counseling</i> bhundt@pomcounselingllc.com (4/2023-) Leigh Eck <i>La Crosse Film Academy</i> (10/2024)

SOTA II, Inc. Documents & Resources:

SOTA Articles of Incorporation filed 05/01/20

SOTA II, Inc., EIN # 85-0898511

[SOTA II Bylaws \(current\).docx](#)

[SOTA II Contract 2020-2025.pdf](#)

[SOTA II Agenda Items-Community Partners-Action List](#)

Charter School Governance Board Responsibilities

WISCONSIN RESOURCE CENTER FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS

SOTA II Brand

Tagline: Community-STEM-Student Centered

Identity: Learning Community that Promotes a Sense of Belonging and Individuality through ~ Student Centered Projects

~STEM ~Multi-Age Classes ~Real world problem inquiry