

Strongsville Academy
(An Ohio Not-for-Profit Corporation)
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

Strongsville Academy (the “School”) held a Regular Board Meeting (the “meeting”) on January 29, 2025 at Westlake Academy, 26830 Detroit Road, Westlake 44145.

Board Members in Attendance

Darvio Morrow, arrived at 6:31 p.m.
Danielle Munk
Elizabeth Haavisto, Board Secretary
Jonathan Petrea, Vice Chairman – arrived 6:34 p.m.
Greg Margevicius, Board Chairman

Board Member Not in Attendance

Ed Oliveros, Board Treasurer

Guests in Attendance:

Wendy Copen, Regional VP, ACCEL Schools
John Sorvillo, Sponsor Representative, Charter School Specialists
Lesley Gillen, Fiscal Representative, Massa Financial Solutions – via Zoom
Elizabeth Grafious, Board Liaison, Callender Law Group
Anne Trakas, Sr. Board Services Manager, Callender Law Group

1. Sign-in / A Call to order

Chairman Margevicius called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call of Members Present

The Chairman requested a roll call of members present.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board members and guests participated in the Pledge of Allegiance

4. Acceptance of Consent Agenda

The Acceptance of the January 29, 2025, Consent Agenda was brought forward for consideration by the Board. Upon Motion duly made by Member Petrea to accept the Consent Agenda, seconded by Member Haavisto, the Motion passed by unanimous affirmative vote of the members present.

Board Member <i>Name</i>	AYE	NAY	OTHER <i>(abstain, not present, etc.)</i>
Elizabeth Haavisto	X		
Darvio Morrow	X		
Danielle Munk	X		
Ed Oliveros			Not Present
Jonathan Petrea	X		
Greg Margevicius, Chair	X		

5. Reports & Updates

a. Head of School Report/Management Company Report (ACCEL Schools)

i. School Report, January 2025

ii. Discussion, Annual Report on Nutritional Standards

iii. Report to the Board, Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying, August – December 2024

iv. Update, Marketing Plan

Mrs. Copen provided the Head of School Report and Management Company Report.

The December mid-year diagnostics have been completed.

They are looking to build a full year of growth.

The School enjoyed a variety of themed days like Whoville Day and Pajama Day.

There are 64 enrollments that have been verified, there are 15 new enrollments for Fall.

No students are meet evaluation criteria for Special Education. There are two students who are on 504 plans for medical needs.

The Nutritional Standards were discussed. There are no Harassment, Intimidation, or Bullying incidents to report.

There was a discussion about yearly CPR trainings.

Recruiting has begun for Early Entry Kindergarten and Kindergarten.

There was a discussion about Kindergarten charges and the failed levy.

There will be a Kindergarten Signing Ceremony where students will receive a yard sign.

Another room has been added to the building, it can now fit up to 80.

A new office manager has been hired.

Re-enrollment was discussed. Proof of residency was discussed.

b. Sponsor Report (Charter School Specialists)

1.-2. Discussion, Fiscal Review Memos, November and December 2024

3.-4. Discussion, At-A-Glance Reports, December 2024 and January 2025

5.-6. Discussion, Sponsor Connections, December 2024 and January 2025

7. Discussion, On-Site Visit Report, November 2024

8. Review, OAR Rubric

9. Discussion, Five-Year Forecast Checklist

Mr. Sorvillo provided the Sponsor Report. There was a concentration on marketing and recruitment.

The FTE is about 64 which is higher than the month before.

There was an Onsite Review by Mr. Willenborg. The visit went well and Mrs. Copen was noted as a strength to the School.

The Board was recognized for their contribution to the School for Board Appreciation Month. Charter School Specialists is hosting a Literacy Consortium which is open to all charter schools and Board members.

There was a discussion about criteria and clarification is being sought from Mr. Willenborg.

c. Treasurer Report (Massa Financial Solutions)

i. Discussion, November 2024 Financial Statements

ii. Discussion, December 2024 Financial Statements

Ms. Gillen provided the Treasurer Report. The Financial Statements for November and December were provided in the Board materials. The School has a cash balance of under about \$41,000; a net income for the month under about \$15,000; a Year-to-Date net income of about \$21,000; an FTE of about 63 in November and about 64 in December.

The aging is current except for ACCEL.

The audit is complete and has been sent to the Auditor of State for approval.

The Budget and Five-Year Forecast are currently being worked on. 1099s will be going out next week via email.

Chairman Margevicius noted a variance in professions fees and requested more information. Ms. Gillen will investigate and get back to the Chairman with more information.

d. Legal Update (Callender Law Group)

January 2025 Legal Update

Discussion, Revised Board Meeting Schedule, 2024/2025 Academic Year

Review of Resolutions on the Agenda

Update, Sponsor Contract amendment inquiry

The Legal Update was provided. There was a review of the New Resolutions on the agenda.

6. Old Business

Annual Report and Performance Framework (Tabled)

This Annual Report and Performance Framework will remain tabled as the Board was not comfortable with the performance framework with the 100 minimum enrollment.

7. New Business

- a. Discussion, Adoption/Approval of Minutes from the November 21, 2024 Board Meeting
- b. Resolution, Adoption/Approval of Special Education Model Policy and Procedures, update
- c. Resolution, Adoption/Approval of School Meal Program, Summer 2025
- d. Resolution, Ratify Revised Board Meeting Schedule, 2024/2025 Academic Year
- e. Acceptance of Reports and Updates

The New Business Items ‘7.a’ through ‘7.e’ were brought forward for consideration by the Board. A discussion was had during the Legal Update. Upon Motion duly made by Member Petrea to adopt New Business Items ‘7.a’ through ‘7.e’ without amendment, seconded by Member Munk, the Motion passed by unanimous affirmative vote of members present.

Board Member Name	AYE	NAY	OTHER <i>(abstain, not present, etc.)</i>
Elizabeth Haavisto	X		
Darvio Morrow	X		
Danielle Munk	X		
Ed Oliveros			Not Present
Jonathan Petrea	X		
Greg Margevicius, Chair	X		

8. Open Discussion/Public Comment

The Board expressed thanks for flexibility with the schedule.

9. Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting: February 26, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at Strongsville Academy, 16000 Foltz Industrial Parkway, Strongsville 44136.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon Motion duly made by Member Petrea to adjourn the January 29, 2025, Board meeting of Strongsville Academy without amendment, seconded by Member Morrow, the Motion passed by unanimous affirmative vote of members present. The meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m

Board Member Name	AYE	NAY	OTHER <i>(abstain, not present, etc.)</i>
Elizabeth Haavisto	X		
Darvio Morrow	X		
Danielle Munk	X		
Ed Oliveros			Not Present
Jonathan Petrea	X		
Greg Margevicius, Chair	X		

APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion to approve and adopt minutes of the January 29, 2025 Regular Board meeting of

Strongsville Academy, with/without amendment(s)

Made by HAAVISTO, Seconded by PETREA.

Board Member Name	AYE	NAY	OTHER (abstain, not present, etc.)
Elizabeth Haavisto	/		
Darvio Morrow	/		
Danielle Munk			not present
Ed Oliveros	/		
Jonathan Petrea	/		
Greg Margevicius, Chair	/		

Executed and adopted by a vote of the Board on this 24th day of FEBRUARY, 2025.



Greg Margevicius, Chair
Strongsville Academy