

Salt Lake Academy Board Meeting

May 6, 2025

Overview The transcript covers a board meeting for Salt Lake Academy, a charter school. The meeting includes a roll call, budget report, director's report, and discussion of various policies and procedures. Key topics include enrollment, test scores, sports, fees, new policies, and board member additions.

Roll Call

- The board members present for the roll call were Sam Gibbs, Daryl Robinson (board president), Rebecca Byrne, Anthony Beltran, Lori Aguilar, and Casey Holmes.
- Lori Aguilar abstained from voting on the April board meeting minutes since she was not present at that meeting.

Budget Report

- Casey Holmes provided the budget report, noting they are forecasting a positive net income and an increase in days cash on hand from 30 to 67 days.
- Some budget categories are tight, so they are monitoring spending closely.
- Overall, the financial outlook is positive.

Director's Report *Enrollment*

- Sam Gibbs shared an enrollment tracker, projecting they will have over 900 students enrolled, which is above the state's projection of 873.
- They are implementing various outreach efforts to boost enrollment further.

Test Scores

- Sam shared Aspire Plus data for 9th and 10th grade, indicating room for improvement in some subject areas.
- He noted they will be focusing on curriculum and instruction to drive improvements.

Sports

- The boys soccer team is ranked 2nd in 3A and has a chance to win the state championship.
- The school plans to provide a student pep bus if the team advances to the semifinals and finals.

Fees

- Due to new legislation, the school had to revise its fee schedule to eliminate certain fees and move others to the extracurricular fee.
- The new fee schedule provides a fee-free pathway for students to graduate.

New Policies

- Gibbs presented drafts of two new policies required by the state:
 1. Shine program for stipends in high-need teaching areas
 2. Credit recovery policy prohibiting paper-based packets

Board Meetings

- The board approved adding a special meeting on May 20th to review the finance authority application.
- The board discussed plans for the June meetings, including a longer June 26th meeting to finalize the budget.
- The board also discussed adding two new board members by July 1st to expand the board from 5 to 7 members.

Conclusion The board meeting covered a range of topics related to the school's operations, finances, and policies. Key decisions included approving a special board meeting, reviewing new policy drafts, and planning for the addition of two new board members. Overall, the school appears to be in a strong position academically and financially.