



Arkansas Connections Academy, Inc. (ARCA)  
BOARD MEETING

Pursuant to the Open Meeting Laws, notice is hereby given to the members of the ARCA Board and the general public that the ARCA Board will hold a meeting open to the public on:

**Date and Time:**

Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

**To be held in person and via teleconference:**

Arkansas Connections Academy  
1009 Beau Terre Drive, Building O  
Bentonville, AR 72712

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Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented on the agenda at the discretion of the Chair.

Reasonable efforts will be made to assist and accommodate persons with a disability. Please contact Darla Gardner at 918-766-2196.

**BOARD AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call – D. Beck
- II. Public Comment – D. Beck

The Board welcomes participation by the members of the public both in-person and telephonically. To address an item on the agenda, before the scheduled start of the meeting, an individual must write their name and a short description of the agenda item on which they wish to comment on the card provided and submit this to the Chair, along with any materials they want to have distributed to the Board. Individuals who wish to address the Board telephonically must contact the School Principal by phone or by email at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the Board meeting. If the individual wants to provide any written materials to the Board, these should be emailed to the School Principal at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the meeting.

The total time for any individual to present, either in person or via telephone, on an item on the agenda shall not exceed three (3) minutes, unless the Board grants additional time.

Individuals desiring to make a formal presentation to the Board on an item not on the agenda but desiring it be placed on the agenda must provide notice and written submissions detailing the subject of the presentation to the School Principal at least fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting. Any such presentation shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes in duration, unless otherwise permitted by the Chair.

To view the Board Public Comment Policy, visit the school's "Our School Board" page at [www.connectionsacademy.com](http://www.connectionsacademy.com)

- III. Routine Business – D. Beck
  - a. Approval of Agenda
  
- IV. Oral Reports
  - a. School Leader Report (MSR attached) – D. Gardner
    - i. Update on Student Activities
    - ii. Health and Wellness Policy Review (attached)
  - b. PCx Presentation – D. Gardner
  - c. Board Meeting Compliance Update – K. DeGroff/M. Arthur
  - d. Financial Report (attached) – T. Blair
  
- V. Consent Items
  - a. Ratification of Minutes from the November 19, 2019 Board Meeting (attached)
  - b. Ratification of Staffing Report (attached)
  - c. Ratification of Pearson Online & Blended Learning Invoice(s) for November (attached)
  - d. Ratification of Revision(s) to Employee Handbook: Residency Policy (attached)
  - e. Approval of Minutes from the December 17, 2019 Board Meeting (attached)
  - f. Approval of Staffing Report (attached)
  - g. Approval of Pearson Online & Blended Learning Invoice(s) for December (attached)
  - h. Approval of the 2020-2021 School Year General School Handbook (to follow)
  - i. Approval of the 2020-2021 School Year State Specific School Handbook (to follow)
  
- VI. Action Items
  - a. Approval of Outreach Recruitment Target for the 2020-2021 School Year – D. Gardner
  - b. Approval of Revision(s) to Board Meeting Schedule for the 2019-2020 School Year – K. DeGroff/M. Arthur
  
- VII. Information Items
  - a. Legislative Update – B. Adams
  - b. POBL Agreement/Charter Renewal Timeline Update – B. Adams
  - c. Partner School Leadership Team (PSLT) Update – K. Clements
    - i. School Operations Metrics (attached)
  - d. Budget Development Process Update – B. Adams/T. Blair
  - e. Board Training Requirements Update (attached) – D. Gardner/K. DeGroff
  
- VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION: pursuant to Arkansas Freedom of Information Act of 1967 Section 519-106(c)(1) for the purpose of considering employment, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining, or resignation of any public officer or employee: School Leader Mid-Year Review (attached) – K. Clements
  
- IX. Adjournment and Confirmation of Next Meeting Date – February 18, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.