Ina A. Colen Academy

On Top of the World Communities
Cypress Hall
8413 SW 80th Street
Ocala, FL 34481

ZOOM LINK
Meeting ID: 834 0824 7583
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Tuesday, February 18th, 2025 - 6:00 pm

VISION

Ina A. Colen Academy will educate the hearts and minds of students and families in an environment where everyone belongs, works together, and thrives.

MISSION

To cultivate passionate learners in an inclusive school community in which individuality and diversity are valued and students develop understanding and empathy for others through collaboration and active learning.

ATTENDEES: Vanessa Baxley, Robert Colen, Janet Behnke, Harvey Taub, Kay Fleischaker, Sukhbir Nijher (via ZOOM), Autumn Barfield, Rebecca Rogers, Lily Hutchinson, Brenda Maynard, Ken Colen, Jim Walkup, Tabitha Jones, Cassie Edwards

GUESTS: Stacey Mojica

Meeting Agenda

1. **Call to Order – Harvey Taub at 6:00 pm**
2. **Establish a quorum - meeting properly noticed on iacafl.org**
3. **Public Comment**- *Public comment is limited to 3 minutes.*

   Coach Fox – asked the board to consider adding a black top area for additional PE activities such as pickleball, racquetball, etc.; gymnasium space is limited when more than 1 class is in session; HT thanked Coach Fox for his comments and noted capital projects require a lengthy planning process.
4. **Consent Agenda**
   a. Meeting Minutes – *January 2025*
   b. FY **2025** Board Operations Calendar update
   c. Segregation of Financial Duties Revised
   d. Conflict of Interest Acknowledgement (please sign your copy)

   Motion to approve the consent agenda.

   I move to approve the consent agenda.

   Motion: Robert Colen 2nd: Janet Behnke; Motion carries unanimously.

   All agenda items with letter designations 4a-4d were approved with one motion with no discussion unless otherwise noted.
5. **Committee Reports**
   a. Finance – Tabitha Jones **Reviewed January financials; noted days in cash and positive fund balance.**
   b. Facilities – Jim Walkup **Road work is coordinated with CBD Land Development to minimize impact to IACA operations; the design of a cafetorium and pavilion has been completed; project will pause for student growth to require the need for the space; JW to obtain an estimate for pickleball courts for board's information (related to public comment section)**

c. Principal – **Vanessa Baxley Referenced the OM article re: IACA students visit to Ocala Regional Airport; highlighted student achievements; band and show choir performances; Ag Science certifications are now offered to middle schoolers; Spelling Bee for 3rd – 5th graders on 3/5/25; per KF request, SEL update: IACA piloted a new program called Cloud 9; cross-curricular SEL content that integrates PBL; will implement the program in Fall 2025 (currently using Move This World)**

6. **New Business**
   a. 2025-26 Lottery update – Vanessa Baxley **Due to high applicant numbers, School Administration recommends adding an additional 1st and 3rd grade class in 2025-26.**

      Motion to approve 582 students as the IACA Annual Enrollment Capacity for School year 2025-26.

      I move to approve 582 students as the IACA Annual Enrollment Capacity for School year 2025-26. Motion: Janet Behnke Second: Kay Fleischaker; Motion carries unanimously.

   b. Annual Accountability Report review – Vanessa Baxley **Presentation to MCPS will be scheduled in Spring 2025; IACA presentation highlights the previous year's successes and improvements.**

   c. 2025-26 Instructional Calendar – Vanessa Baxley

      Motion to approve the IACA 2025-26 Instructional Calendar as presented.

      I move to approve the IACA 2025-26 Instructional Calendar as presented. Motion: Janet Behnke. Second: Robert Colen Motion carries unanimously.

7. Roundtable Discussion (5 min.) **NONE**
8. Adjourn – Next Meeting **April 15th at 6:00 pm Meeting adjourned at 6:41 pm.**

Board Packet:
Agenda
Documents

The minutes were adopted by the Board of Managers at a publicly noticed meeting held on Tuesday, February 18th, 2025.

Kay Fl
Board Secretary

Kay Fleischaker
Printed Name

4/15/2025
Date