



## Atlas Board Meeting

September 26, 2024  
5 PM Central

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## Board of Directors

Russ Kirk, Board President  
Scott Malin, Board Treasurer  
Nancy Wild, Board Secretary  
Alice Dickherber, Member

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Lorna Sanchez McClellan, Member  
Mark Minden, Member  
Victor Thomas, Member

## Meeting Notice

Notice is hereby given that the Atlas Public Schools Board of Directors will hold a digital board meeting on Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. To join by Zoom copy and paste the following URL in a web browser:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1GJkxUGJEji11PhBlSdKkiimUniJedYmE/view?usp=sharing>

Any individual wishing to make a public comment must notify the Atlas Board Chairman via email at [russ.kirk@atlaspublic.org](mailto:russ.kirk@atlaspublic.org) by noon the day of the meeting. An individual has a maximum of three (3) minutes for its public comment(s).

The Board of Directors retains the right to return to a closed Executive Session for reasons permissible under Section 610.021 of the Missouri Revised State Statutes.

***Our Mission:*** The mission of Atlas Public Schools is to educate the whole child by combining a rigorous academic program with authentic, real-world experiences so all students thrive in middle school, high school and beyond.

***Our Vision:*** At Atlas we envision a time when all students in St. Louis have the skills and habits needed to be successful in the 21st century, and where St. Louis is heralded as a model of a flourishing, diverse, and empowered community. We believe that high quality public schools will be the catalyst for community transformation that will result in a thriving city.

# Meeting Agenda

## Salutation: 5:00-5:05 pm

Russ Kirk, Board President

### Call to Order + Roll Call + Welcome

### Scheduled Public Comments

### Minutes

- Review [MINUTES](#) from August board meeting

## Board Chair Report: 5:05-5:10 pm

Russ Kirk, Board President

- Update from Russ

## Governance Committee Report: 5:10-5:25 pm

Alice Dickherber, Governance Committee Chair

- Governance Committee did not meet in September

## Finance Committee Report: 5:25-5:35 pm

Scott Malin, Committee Chair

- Finance Committee [Minutes](#)

August's Financial Statements:

- [Cash Flow Statement](#)
- [Statement of Activities](#)
- [Balance Sheet](#)
- [Ramp Register](#)
- [Bank Account Registers](#)
- [Bank Reconciliations](#)

## Development Committee Report: 5:35-5:45 pm

Nancy Wild, Committee Chair

- Update from Nancy

## Consent Agenda: 5:45-5:50 PM

Board President: Russ Kirk

- Vote to approve the following discussed items:
  - **Governance:**
    - August Minutes
  - **Finance:** August Financials & Bank Register

## **Executive Director Report: 5:50-6:10 pm**

Executive Director: Colby Heckendorn

- Strong Start to the School Year
  - Fully Enrolled with PK-4 436 Students
  - Fully Staffed with a Certified Teacher in Every Classroom
- Preschool Programming
  - We've received positive feedback from families on the quality of programming
  - 42 Families on the PK waitlist
    - Aim to add one additional classroom at the start of the 2025-2026 school year
- Family Communication
  - Weekly Family Newsletter that goes out on Thursdays
  - All but 5 families have connected to Atlas on Dojo
  - 100% of Atlas teachers post weekly to Dojo
- Atlas has applied for the [Emerson Early Literacy Grant](#)

## **Q&A + Announcements: 6:10-6:15 pm**

- [Board of Directors' Meeting Schedule](#)
- [Board Member Professional Development Tracker](#)

## **Motion to Adjourn: 6:15 pm**