



## ATLAS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 24, 2022  
5 PM Central

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### ATTENDANCE

Russ Kirk, Board President  
Kwofe Coleman, Board Treasurer  
(absent)  
Alice Dickherber, Board Secretary

GayLorberbaum, Board Member  
Sonia Park, Board Member  
Lorna Sanchez McClellan, Board Member  
Mark Minden, Board Member  
Scott Malin, Board Member

**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.

Board President: Russ Kirk

#### **Call to Order/Roll Call**

#### **Check-In**

#### **Public Comment**

- No Unscheduled Public Comment

#### **Minutes**

- Review [MINUTES](#) from the January Atlas Public Schools Board Meeting

## Board President Report

- Introduce Missouri Charter Public School Commission (MCPSC) attendees:
  - Martha McGeehon (MCPSC) & Marisol Rodriguez (Insignia Partners–Consultant) - Kent Peterson, Strategic Partners: March Board Assessment Presentation: Assessment will give us a baseline for how we are doing as we transition from a founding board to a strategic governance board. He described the process and time commitment and described the reports and results that we would receive. There is no cost to Atlas to undergo this assessment.

## Governance Committee Report

Governance Committee Chair: Alice Dickherber

- Governance Committee [MINUTES](#)

## Finance Committee Report

Treasurer Committee Chair: Kwofe Coleman

- Finance Committee [MINUTES](#)
- Review of January Finance Committee Minutes. There were no questions.
- [January Financials](#)
  - [Bank Register](#)
  - [Bank Reconciliation & Statement](#)
  - [Balance Sheet](#)
  - [Statement of Activities](#)
  - [Statement of Cash Flows](#)

## Consent Agenda

Board President: Russ Kirk

- Vote to approve the following discussed items:

- **Governance:**

- [January Atlas Public Schools Board Meeting Minutes](#)

- **Finance:**

- [January Financials](#) & [Bank Register](#)

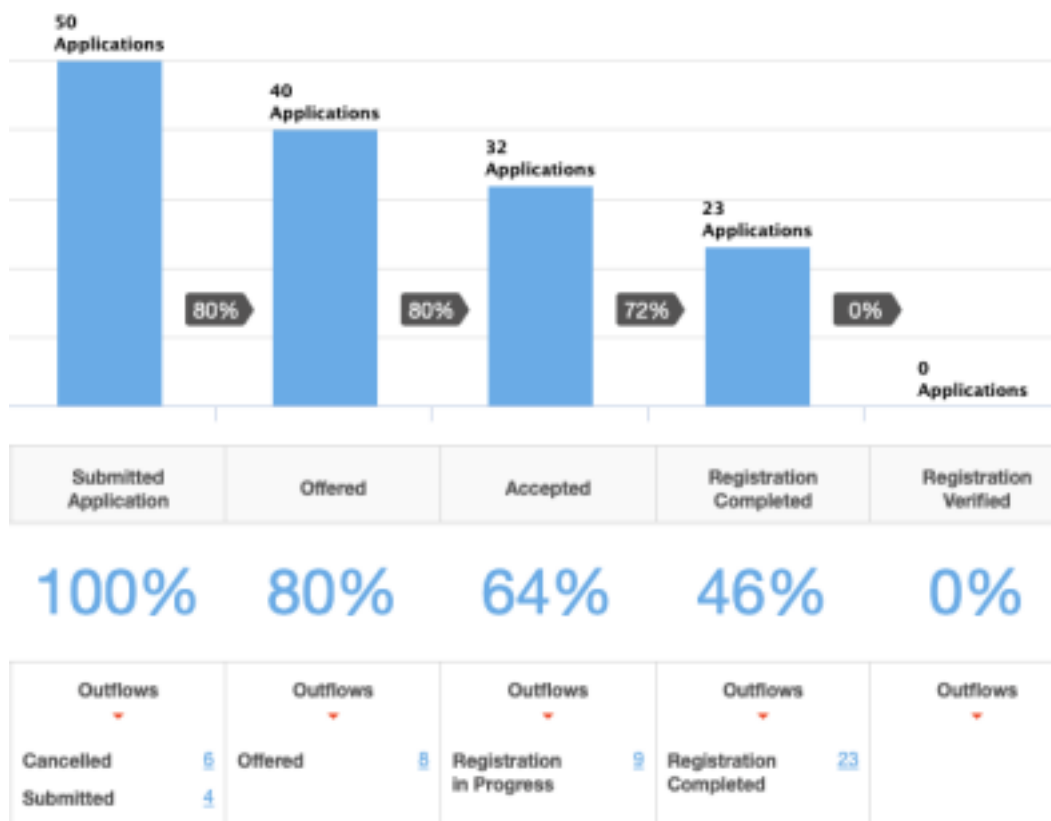
Motion to approve: Sonia Park ; Second: Lorna Sanchez McClellan; unanimously approved

## Executive Director Report

Executive Director: Colby Heckendorn

- Enrollment increased from 113 to 118
  - Five new students started at the start of Session 4
- Video of happy students!!
- Daily attendance hovering at 90 %
- Goal: 75 K seats open. We have 44 applications for 2022-2023 so far.
- Kindergarten readiness kits - We have assembled 100 and had 80 families sign up! They come and pick up the kits and it gives an opportunity for the family to engage with Atlas, tour campus, etc. -

### [Student Recruitment Dashboard](#)



### Announcements

- SAVE THE DATE: First Atlas Board Retreat
  - Wednesday, June 15, 2022: Team Dinner (Alice selecting location); 6 pm
  - Thursday, June 16, 2022: Retreat Conference; 8:30 am-4 pm
  - Thursday, June 16, 2022: Social Happy Hour with Atlas Staff (Schafly's Tap Room) 4-6 pm -
- Press Release: [DESE Receives Spending Authority to Distribute Federal Relief Funds to Schools and Child Care Providers](#)

- Next Board Meeting: Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 5 pm

**Motion to Adjourn** Motion to adjourn: Alice Dickherber; Second: Sonia Park; unanimously approved

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Alice Dickherber , Board Secretary