

CAJ Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 13, 2025
Harvest Hall – Matsukawa Place

Attendance:

Chad Farmer (SEND)
Gregory Swenson (JVENTURE)
Anne Marie Smoker (CRJM) (Online)
Grant Buchholtz (ECC)
David Mawhinney (Head of School)
Nick Petkoff (TEAM)
Daniel Sexton (OMS)
Seita Sakaguchi (Member-at-Large)

Supervisor- Auditors
Mark Bedow
Taizo Morimoto

Absent:

Jeremy Seminoff (Member-at-Large and Educator)

SY24-25:111 Call to Order and Determination of Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 10:05AM. A quorum was established with eight members present.

SY24-25:112 Approval of Agenda

MSC to approve the agenda.

SY24-25:113 Approval of the Selection of the Signers of the Minutes:

- a. Board Chair – Nick Petkoff
- b. Signer: Chad Farmer
- c. Signer: Anne Marie Smoker

SY24-25:114 Consent Agenda:

- d. Head of School Report
- e. Board Chair Report
 - i. Inc. Compliance items, mission rep meet,
- f. Annual Agenda for SY 25-26
- g. PGRC Report
 - i. Including Recommendations as First Readings for 2.2.8 and 4.2.11

MSC to approve the consent agenda.

SY24-25:115 Approval of Head of School Monitoring Report

MSC to approve the Head of School Monitoring Report.

SY24-25:116 Finance Committee Report

David reported on the Finance Committee meeting, particularly focusing on the increased estimates related to the building renovations for Summer 2025.

MSC to accept the Finance Committee Report.

SY24-25:117 Approval of Business Report for Fiscal Year 2024

MSC to approve the Business Report.

SY24-25:118 Approval of Audited Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2024

MSC to accept the audited financial statements and approve the results of the fiscal year 2024.4.1 - 2025.3.31 with revenue of ¥1,008,232,564 and expenses of ¥993,585,040 resulting in an accounting surplus of ¥35,401,408, after depreciation and other adjustments of ¥20,753,884.

SY24-25:119 Approval of External Audit for Fiscal Year 2024

h. See “Audit report” in drive

MSC to approve the external audit.

SY24-25:120 Approval of Supervisor Auditors Report for Fiscal Year 2024

i. Provided during meeting by supervisor-auditors

MSC to approve the supervisor auditors report.

SY24-25:121 Confirm Signatories for National Covenant Properties

j. Nicholas Petkoff

k. David Mawhinney

l. Mayumi Shuto

MSC to confirm the new signatories for National Covenant Properties.

SY24-25:122 Election of BoC Member-at-Large Educator

MSC to elect Poppy Roberts as Member-at-Large Educator for the Board of Councilors.

SY24-25:123 Approval of Director Appointing Committee Policies

m. See “DAC Policy Draft” in drive

MSC to approve the Director Appointing Committee Policies. This decision should be incorporated as a new policy.

SY24-25:124 Director Appointing Committee Session

n. DAC Approval for the following as the CAJ Board of Directors

CRJM: Anne Marie Smoker- approved

ECC (CMCJ): Grant Buchholtz- approved

JVENTURE: Dave Skipper (New)- approved
 SEND: Chad Farmer- approved
 TEAM: Nicholas Petkoff- approved
 Head of School: David Mawhinney
 Member-at-Large Susan Bae (New)- approved
 MSC to approve the nominations for the Board of Directors.

SY24-25:125 Appointment of HoS David Mawhinney for Board of Directors.

David Mawhinney was approved to the Board of Directors.

SY24-25:126 Staff Exit Reports (5 Year)

- o. Per 4.4.5 To review for possible trends

		2019-20	2020-21	2021-22 (inc. HoS)	2022-23	2023-24
Total (FT/PT)	37 (26/11)	6 (3/3)	3 (2/1)	13 (11/2)	11 (8/3)	4 (2/2)
Retirement	13 (8/5)	2/1	2/0	2/0	1/3	1/1
Early retirement	3 (3/0)			2/0	1/0	
Relocation	5 (4/1)		0/1	1/0	3/0	
COVID relocation	2 (1/1)	1/1				
Career	4 (4/0)			3/0	1/0	
Health	3 (1/2)			0/2	1/0	
Family	3 (2/1)			1/0	1/0	0/1
Financial	2 (2/0)			1/0		1/0
Dissatisfaction	2 (1/1)	0/1		1/0		

The board reviewed the staff exit report.

SY24-25:127 PGRC Recommendation on Ends

- p. See “PGRC Ends Draft Discussion” in drive
 MSC to approve the Ends Draft as a first reading. The board also approved David Mawhinney to share these Ends with the staff for their feedback.

SY24-25:128 Ongoing discussion items

SY24-25:129 Any other items for the Board of Directors

- q. Graduation Ceremony Attendance
- r. Nick Petkoff will communicate with OMS regarding nominations
- s. Board Roles

The board had a discussion about possible candidates for Vice-Chair of the Finance Committee and Policy and Governance Review Committee.

- t. Updating role guides in drive
 - i. [Training and guide for roles](#)

SY24-25:130 Board Process Review/Feedback

u. Verbal

SY24-25:131 Review and Approve the Minutes of This Meeting

MSC to approve the Minutes of this meeting.

SY24-25:132 Prayer & Adjournment

MSC to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Grant Buchholtz, secretary

Signatures

_____ (seal) Nick Petkoff - Board Chair
_____ (seal) Chad Farmer - Board Member
_____ (seal) Anne Marie Smoker - Board Member