

Colorado International Language Academy

Board of Directors Meeting

September 18, 2025, 4:00 p.m. – Minutes

Meeting Location: CILA - In Person

Public Notice Posting: 303 Austin Bluffs Pkwy, Colorado Springs, CO 80918
and CILA Webpage: <https://www.cilaschool.org/>

I. Opening Section

Agenda Items	Presenter / Moved & Seconded	Action
I. Call to Order	B. Desloges	16:03
3. Roll Call		B Desloges T Strand A Orser C Bremer 16:24 B Rutter (staff) N Smalls (staff) J Griffin (Blueprint PM) K Murray (CSI) J Aguirre (visitor) L Grimaldo (visitor)
4. Approval of Agenda	M: T Strand S: A Orser	
5. Consent of Minutes: July 2025	M: T Strand S: A Orser	
6. Consent of Minutes: August 2025 Special Meeting	M: T Strand S: A Orser	
7. Public Comment Session – 3 minutes per presenter – Please sign up as you arrive. People will be invited to speak in the order in which they have signed up. Generally, the Board will not respond to comments made, although questions may be asked. The items raised may either be dealt with by the Administration or they may become an agenda item at a future Board meeting. (The Board encourages members of the public to exercise their First Amendment rights responsibly. For comments critical of staff members, we encourage members of the public to share such comments in executive session. Please let us know if you would like to speak in executive session so that we can make appropriate arrangements at a subsequent Board Meeting).		

II. Executive Session (as required)

The Board may, under state statutes, go into Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to property transactions, legal advice, security arrangements or investigations, negotiations, personnel, individual students, documents that may not be disclosed under the Colorado Open Records Act and matters required to be kept confidential by law. Recommendation: The Board convene into Executive Session [(per CRS 24-6-402 (4))].			

III. Reports, Updates, Action Items

Agenda Item	Presenter / Moved & Seconded	Action Required
Reports/Updates:		
Introduction to Kia Murray - CSI	B. Desloges	Observation of Board Meeting as part of renewal process
CSI Recertification Updates	B. Rutter/B. Desloges	B Rutter gave an update of recertification process. On site visit 9/18/25. Presentation to CSI Board in November and two work sessions to discuss charter renewal contract.
Principal Report	B. Rutter	See Principal Report Will plan to have CSPD do another safety evaluation in the 25-26 academic year.
Financial Report	T. Strand	See Financial Report
Board Development Report	A. Orser	Continuing to recruit. 2 candidates interviewed. Still looking for a candidate with UCCS/professor background. Will connect with professors of interns. Also looking for candidate with civic leadership experience.
New Business:		
Assurances for Financial Accreditation	B. Desloges	Signed by Board president.
2026-2027 Board Roles	B. Desloges	Discussed planning for changes to leadership roles for 2026-2027. Discussed plan to track terms and structuring onboarding.
Review and Approve Blueprint LOI	J. Griffin M: T Strand S: A Orser	Reviewed LOI for junior loan with Blueprint. Reviewed previously by attorney. No concerns noted. Motion: LOI reviewed, approved and principal, building corporation president, given authority to sign on behalf of the building corporation. Any significant amendments to terms or

		amounts go back to Board for review.
Authorize Building Corporation to close on Elkton - October 31	B. Desloges M: T Strand S: C Bremer	Motion: Authorize building corporation to sign all documents related to closing of building on Elkton.
Approval of expansion to grades 6-8	B. Desloges M: C Bremer S: T Strand	Lender would like assurance that CSI will approve expansion to middle school. Motion: Approve Board resolution to expand to grade levels 6-8th
Upcoming		Oct: Audit Review; School Accountability Committee Report; CARS Report Review; School Safety Plan, transition plan for the building over the summer.
Open Discussion	B. Desloges M: T Strand S: C Bremer	Building corporation needs to start its own bank account. Starting balance will need to come from CILA's checking account. Motion: Move \$1000 from CILA's checking account to Building Corporation's checking account. Discussed social media use by teachers. Discussed 1st Amendment rights, as well as responsibilities as teachers in a position of authority/responsibility. Principal informed the Board of discussions with staff that took place at the beginning of the year regarding responsible social media use.
Pledge of Allegiance	B. Desloges	

IV. Closing Section

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	Moved & Seconded	
1. Next Board Meeting - October 16 at 4pm		Moved to 10/20/25 due to conflicts
2. Adjournment	M: T Strand S: C Bremer	17:11

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Video call link: https://meet.google.com/wvf-pqdp-mmq	
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