Board of Education Agenda- Southwest Leadership Academy

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
SOUTHWEST LEADERSHIP ACADEMY
GOVERNING BOARD

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the public, that the Governing Board for Southwest Leadership Academy will hold a meeting open to the public as well as a Board retreat as specified below. The Board reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda, with the exception of public hearings. One or more Board members may participate telephonically. The meeting will be held via video conferencing.

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02 (H), the Board may discuss and take action concerning any matter listed on the agenda.

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A) (3), the Board may vote to go into Executive Session, which will not be open to the public, for legal advice concerning any item on this agenda.

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DATED AND POSTED this 16t^{h} day of June 2026.

By

Christae Spivey, Superintendent

AGENDA

Southwest Leadership Academy Governing Board

July 6, 2026

3:00pm

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Topic: SLA FY27 Budget Approval Meeting

Time: Jul 6, 2026 03:00 PM Arizona

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All items on this agenda are open for discussion and possible action, including reports and action items. Public comment will be acknowledged at the end of the agenda items.

A copy of the Agenda and Meeting Minutes are available for review on our website: www.southwestleadershipacademy.com

If authorized by a majority vote of the members of the Governing Board, any matter on the open meeting agenda may be discussed in executive session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice thereon, pursuant to A.R.S. 38431.03 (A)(3). In addition, the Board, by majority vote may enter Executive Session for discussion and consultation with administration regarding student matters pursuant to A.R.S. §§15-342, 15-521, and 15-843; A.R.S. §38431.03 (A)(2) (consideration of records exempt by law from public inspection); legal advice/instruction to attorney pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 Subsections (A)(3) and (A)(4). The executive session will be held immediately after the vote and will not be open to the public.

*Additional information regarding any of the items on this agenda may be obtained prior to the meeting by calling Brian Heath at (480) 987-9700. Also, you can attend the foregoing meeting by teleconference.

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1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Mike Gantt, Board President; Drew Ainsworth, Treasurer/Secretary; Brian Heath, Ex-Officio Member, Dr. Molly Brann, Member, Emily Beard, Member.

   Attendance: Mike Gantt, Board President; Drew Ainsworth, Treasurer/Secretary;, Dr. Molly Brann, Member, Emily Beard, Member.

   Metting Call to order at 3:04 pm.

2. **Introduction of Visitors:** Christae Spivey, Principal; Keith Chilton, National Director of Business Operations and Initiatives; Marcia Pruitt, School Finance; Kassandra Leyva, Compliance Coordinator; Esme Martinez, Registrar; Veronica Sanchez, Office Assistant

   Attendance: Christae Spivey, Principal; Keith Chilton, National Director of Business Operations and Initiatives; Kassandra Leyva, Compliance Coordinator; Esme Martinez, Registrar;

3. **Pledge of Allegiance (President Gantt)**

4. **Approval of Agenda (President Gantt)**:

   Motion: Move to approve July 6, 2026, agenda as submitted.
   Discussion: Motion made to approve July 6, 2026 agenda as submitted by Drew Ainsworth seconded by Molly Brann.
   Motion passed unanimously.

5. **School Report (SLA Staff)**
   Remove item #5 from agenda, it is a discrepancy.
6. **Financial Review (Keith Chilton):** Review of June 2026, financial reports as presented.

   Motion: Move to receive June 2026 financial reports.
   Discussion: Financial reports are not closed. Financial reviews for June, July and August will take place in September board meeting.
   Motion passed unanimously.

7. **Presentation of Budget:** Keith Chilton will present the proposed FY27 budget and review the timelines to submit to ADE.
   Discussion: Budgetted close to the actual.
   Projected 26k loss includes non-cash expenses.
   Goal is to increase enrollment to assist with state equalization.

8. **Public Hearing on Proposed FY27 Annual School Budget (President Gantt/Keith Chilton)**: At this time the Board will open the meeting to the public for comment on the proposed FY27 school budget (attached). The Board members may also ask questions or make proposals regarding the budget as well. Following the budget hearing, the Board will take a vote on the final recommended budget for FY27.

    Opportunity for public comment. No public in attendance.

9. **Approval of FY27 Annual School Budget (President Gantt)**: The Board must approve an annual budget for FY27. A copy of the proposed budget is attached. This budget can be modified and adjusted throughout the upcoming school year by the Board.

    Motion: Move to approve FY27 budget as presented by Keith Chilton
    Discussion: Motion made to accept the FY27 budget as presented by Emily Beard, seconded by Drew Ainsworth.
    Motion passed unanimously.

10. **Approval of Proposed Marketing Plan Budget for Calendar year 26/27 (Christae Spivey):** To achieve targeted enrollment, the faculty have developed a plan that requires a budget.

    Motion: Move to approve the marketing budget as submitted
    Discussion: Creating new brochures and flyers for marketing events.
    Motion made to approve the marketing budget as submitted and discussed.
    Motion passed unanimously.

11. **Announcements:**
    First round of Principal interviews has been completed, callbacks for second round interviews in progress.
12. **Adjournment**
    Meeting adjourned at 3:45pm.