

Ripple Academy

Board of Directors Meeting

Date: September 8, 2026

Location: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81962907064>

In Attendance: Irene Summers, Holly Clegg, Katie Purinton, Marion Cline

Others In Attendance: Brandon Fairbanks, Brad Taylor Krystal Taylor

Excused: Jasen Ah You, Melvin Rodriguez, Sarah Barnes



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MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

At 5:08PM Irene Summers called the meeting to order.

CONSENT ITEMS

- August 11, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes
Marion Cline made a motion to approve the August 11, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes. Holly Clegg seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Votes were as follows: Irene Summers, Aye; Holly Clegg, Aye; Katie Purinton, Aye; Marion Cline, Aye; Jasen Ah-You, Aye; Melvin Rodriguez, Aye.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Marketing Committee
Katie Pruinton spoke to the marketing efforts that are ongoing. An email went out to perspective families at the end of August. Website tracking has shown a positive return. Two social media posts a month along with one monthly email will be distributed. Future marketing efforts will include information on life-based learning to excite families to attend Ripple Academy.
- Design-Build Committee
Ripple Academy presented at the local city council meeting. Positive feedback and comments were received. Finalizations for the street name are in the works.
- Other Committee Assignments
Brandon Fairbanks discussed the process for moving forward with the hiring committee. The committee will be charged with working with Academica West on posting the position through the Department of Workforce Services. Holly Clegg and Katie Purinton will lead the hiring committee and provide back to the board information on qualified candidates. A special board meeting will be held to finalize the employment agreement and compensation for approval by the full Board.

Melvin Rodriguez joined the meeting at 5:24 PM.

- Design-Build Committee
Melvin Rodriguez provided an update on the Design-Build Committee. Structural engineering work is currently ongoing, with significant progress anticipated by the end of September.

Jasen Ah You joined the meeting at 5:30 PM.
Melvin Rodriguez left the meeting at 5:45 PM.

VOTING AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- **Budgeting Updates**
Brad Taylor provided an update on the budget and current financial matters. He reported that the Zions Bank account is nearly set up and operational.
- **Director Agreement & Compensation**
The Board discussed the Director Agreement and Compensation. The item was tabled until the hiring committee completes its process and brings a recommendation back to the Board for consideration.

CLOSED SESSION- to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual in accordance with Utah Code Ann. 52-4-2(1)(a).

Item tabled.

CALENDARING

- Next Board Meeting TBD

ADJOURN

At 6:02 PM Holly Clegg motioned to adjourn the meeting. Katie Purinton seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Votes were as follows: Votes were as follows: Irene Summers, Aye; Holly Clegg, Aye; Katie Purinton, Aye; Marion Cline, Aye; Jasen Ah-You, Aye; Melvin Rodriguez, Aye.