

June 20th Board Meeting Minutes

AGENDA June 20, 2024, at 5:00 pm EST

Preliminary Items

Call to Order o Roll Call:

Roll call was made at 5:03 pm.

Action Agenda Items to Vote on:

Approving minutes:

The minutes were approved by the board.

Approval of the mascot logo:

The mascot was approved by the board.

Regular Agenda Items:

Financial Update with Chad.

Chad shared the monthly financial report.

School Leadership Report

Vision/mission at COA:

Pam forwarded the Vision/Mission statement to the district. The district will be voting on the changes in August. If the district agrees to the vision/mission changes, COA can share the changes on the website and with the staff, students, and families.

Enrollment:

We are at 1019 students across k-12. High School has the smallest amount of students.

Hiring:

An additional 12 positions were created. Four high school teachers, 1 HS CTE teacher, 2 MS teachers, and 5 Elementary teacher positions will be posted and COA will begin interviewing and hiring teachers for the Fall.


Carolus Cares initiative:

Carolus Cares will be an in-person event at the district office on 8/23/2024 from 9 until 3. Pam will be attending a radio show at 100.7 The Point discussing the event. Pam will also be hosting a webinar on 8/9/2024 discussing the event.

Details of the event are found here:

Carolus Online Academy presents:
Carolus Cares Project Give Back

DATE: AUGUST 23, 2024
TIME: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
LOCATION: DISTRICT OFFICE, 1812 BARNWELL STREET, COLUMBIA, SC



Event Highlights:

- **Staff Presentations:** Our dedicated staff will be giving informative presentations throughout the day
- **Photo Booth:** Capture the fun with your colleagues and friends.
- **Book Blast Table:** Discover new reads and take home some books.
- **Marketing Booth:** Learn about our latest initiatives and campaigns.
- **Enrollment Booth:** Get assistance with enrollment and have your questions answered.
- **Field Trips to the Fire House Museum:** Located right across the street.
- **Local Fire Department:** Come see the fire truck and meet our local heroes.
- **SEL/Special Programs Materials and Resources:** Explore social-emotional learning and special education materials to support students.



Food Trucks

Kusina Food Truck
Soul D'Licious Food Truck

Contributions From:

- Vicious Biscuits
- Smoothie King
- Sonic
- Starbucks
- McDonald's
- And more!



Additional Highlights:

- **Raffles:** Participate in our raffles for a chance to win exciting prizes.
- **SC Public Charter School Radio Show:** Tune in to learn more about Carolus Online Academy.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE FOR A DAY OF LEARNING, FUN, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT!

Club offerings this fall:

Pam shared that there will be 3 club offerings this fall. Elementary, middle school, and high school will all have the same student chosen clubs. An art club, photography club, and cooking club will be offered in October across the school. The clubs will be run by teachers and a sign up form will be given to families for students to sign up to attend the clubs.

Collaboration with the district/Drew:

Pam and Drew have been working together on PR initiatives to grow awareness at COA and camaraderie with the district. Drew and Pam have been working closely on Carolus Cares and will continue to work together on other initiatives through radio and podcast.

School community outreach: A Smore was created and shared with families to attend in-person events starting in August. [2024-2025 COA Outings \(smore.com\)](https://smore.com) There will be 8 locations across the state each month where admin will be holding student requested events. Each of the 8 locations will be on the same day, with the same theme, in different locations. The first location will be on August 16 for Popsicles in the Park.

Summer retention: Summer school started for 8th grade ELA and 8th grade Math. Internal teachers and shared teachers are running the summer school program. Credit recovery is being used to prepare 8th grade students in Math and ELA for 9th grade.

High school update:

High school is on track to open its doors on 8/8/2024 with student orientation. Pam has been leading meetings weekly since January to discuss, plan, and prepare for the year. COA has been working on hiring, scheduling, and has K12 support for attendance and grad tracking. A counselor was hired to work on the grad plan for all high school students. She will begin working on 7/19/2024.

Leadership retreat review:

Tabled until the next session.