



AMIKIDS MARITIME ACADEMY
EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
May 29, 2026 @ 4 pm Central Time
Meeting held via TEAMS

Chairman O. B. Stander called meeting to order at 4:00 pm. O.B. Stander requested confirmation of public notice. Lauren Chapman confirmed public notice was posted two days prior to meeting on both the building and website.

Lauren Chapman called the roll and the following were in attendance: Chairman, O.B. Stander, Dr. Janine Walker-Caffrey, Jeremy Moore in attendance from board. Also in attendance were Rebecca Edmond, AMIkids Sr. Director of Education and Workforce Development Services, Dr. Sara Geary, AMIkids Charter Education Manager, and Jaime Dahlin.

Agenda Updates and Approval

O.B. Stander asked if anyone had modifications they wanted to make to the meeting agenda. All board members responded with NO.

O.B. Stander moved for approval of agenda via yay/nay vote. Board members unanimously voted to approve the agenda.

O.B. Stander gave Public Comment invitation. No one signed up to speak. Board member Jim Looker was able to join the call via phone call at this point in the meeting.

Charter School Program Grant

Rebecca Edmond spoke to board to explain the background knowledge that the CSP grant had required the prior board's approval when the original project application was submitted. Since there was not an amendment to make to the original document, which would have required board approval, no further approval was technically needed for the overall project. However, with the new board in place and per the current financial policies of AMIkids needing board approval for expenditures over \$2500, an emergency meeting was called. AMIkids Maritime Academy is requesting this current board's approval for the budget narrative form 101S for the CSP grant through the Florida Department of Education.

O.B. Stander asked the board members if they had any questions about the budget narrative 101S that was provided.

Jeremy Moore asked about the column in the spreadsheet coded “not billable” and wanted to know why money would have been spent knowing it was not reimbursable. Rebecca Edmond clarified that it was spent on marketing for recruitment prior to notification that the grant was awarded and it was spent outside of the window of time that the grant would allow for reimbursement. She further clarified that because the spreadsheet tracking these expenses is a work in progress, some of the nonbillable items shown in a document to the board prior to the meeting have been addressed by new items that are allowable, spending down the amount in ways allowable by the grant.

Rebecca let Jeremy and entire board know that the School Mint bill and WMBB commercial production costs would be allowable in the grant and those costs would be submitted for reimbursement.

O.B. Stander asked about the length of time that reimbursement process would take. Rebecca Edmond responded that we must submit all expenses in the next 3 weeks and then they (FL Dept. of Education) have until August (she will verify) to reimburse the school.

Rebecca Edmond informed the board that roughly \$28,000 had been spent and submitted thus far for reimbursement. The process could be done in batches instead of all at once. She said there was roughly \$114,000 left to spend.

O.B. Stander informed the board that Home Office of AMIKIDS has agreed to front the money for the initial grant spending and to ensure all could be purchased within the time constraints imposed by the district to receive all invoices.

Jeremy Moore had no further questions.

Dr. Caffrey had no further questions.

Jim Looker had no further questions.

Dr. Janine Caffrey moved for a motion to vote on the budget for the CSP grant. Jeremy Moore seconded the motion.

A YAY/ NAY vote was verbalized by the board. Motion passed unanimously.

The board was thanked for their time and willingness to meet on short notice.

Dr. Sara Geary asked if a motion had been made to adjourn the meeting.

Dr. Janine Caffrey made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeremy Moore seconded the motion.

O.B. Stander adjourned the meeting at 4:14 pm.