Achievement First (AF) Brooklyn
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 16, 2026, 12:00 PM
Zoom link:https://achievementfirst.zoom.us/j/86953251108

Committee members: Brandon Sorlie, Chris Lynch, Paul Cabana, Akeem Frett, Romy Coquillette
AF Staff: Kristin Damo, Sulafa Bashir

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Brandon Sorlie at 12:02 pm.

II. Public Comment

There were no members of the public present.

III. **Executive Session** - Principal Personnel Update

Brandon Sorlie stated that the committee would go into an executive session to discuss the topic of a principal personnel update. He asked for a motion for the committee to enter executive session to discuss this topic, inviting the AF staff present to join. Upon a motion duly made by Romy Coquillette and seconded by Chris Lynch, the AF Brooklyn Executive Committee approved the motion and entered executive session at 12:03 pm and exited at 12:13 pm, following a motion by to exit by Romy Coquillette, seconded by Paul Cabana.

IV. Board Discussion and Business

A. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Mr. Sorlie moved into board business and the approval of the meeting minutes for the last two meetings. He asked if there were any comments or edits and hearing none, he requested a motion to approve the meeting minutes for 4/21/26 and 5/28/26.

The motion was made by Chris Lynch and was seconded by Paul Cabana. All were in favor and the minutes for the Committee's meetings on 4/21/26 and 5/28/26 were approved.

B. June 2 Board Meeting Debrief

The committee members gave their feedback about the June 2 board meeting. There was a discussion about the proposed new working group focused on portfolio strategy. Next steps included creating a strawman for the objectives of the working group and a meeting between Paul and Michael to discuss and further develop a proposal.

C. AFBK September Board Retreat

Brandon Sorlies gave the committee an update on AF Brooklyn Board's upcoming retreat in September, sharing that the retreat planning had started with an external board governance consultant who would help develop the content and facilitate the retreat. The committee members discussed the goals and key focus areas for the retreat, including hearing from the AF Executive Director about goals for the next school year but also the longer-term 3-5 year strategy for the schools and how the Board can establish its goals in partnership with the network and in support of that strategy. There was also a discussion on establishing goals for the board's sub-committees as well.

V. Adjourn

Brandon Sorlie called for a motion to adjourn. Chris Lynch so moved, seconded by Romy Coquillette. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 1:02 pm.