



AF Hartford Academy Board Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

Achievement First

Tuesday, September 15, 2026 at 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM EDT

via Zoom

Zoom: <https://achievementfirst.zoom.us/j/86700852792>

Attendees:

Members: Erwin Hurst, Sr. (Chair), Leonard Epps, Francoise Deristel-Leger, Surbhi Patel, Charon Smalls

AF Staff: Amy D'Angelo, Mitch Johnson, Michael Rabin, Ash Rodriguez, Ben Schanback

I. Call to Order

Board Chair Erwin Hurst, Sr. called the Achievement First Hartford Academy, Inc. Board of Directors (the Board) into session at 5:33 p.m. A quorum was present.

II. Public Comment

No members of the public were present at the meeting. No public comment was offered.

III. Introductions

Board members and staff in attendance introduced themselves.

IV. Board Business

The Chair presented the resolutions before the board on the consent agenda.

Consent Agenda

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, the Hartford Academy Board of Directors hereby approves the meeting minutes from June 9, 2026.
2. **BE IT RESOLVED**, the Hartford Academy Board of Directors hereby approves the updated accounting policies and procedures manual (APPM) titled "Achievement First Charter Schools Fiscal Policies" dated September 2026.
3. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Hartford Academy Board of Directors hereby approves the 2026-2027 AF Family Handbook.

4. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Hartford Academy Board of Directors hereby approves the following individuals to serve as interim principal, as needed through October 30, 2027, for a period of time not to exceed sixteen weeks, based on the recommendations by Achievement First.

School	Interim Principal 1	Interim Principal 2
Elementary School	Jenn Arce	Reba Stanley
Middle School	Melissa Proano Keroack	Ashlie Alleyne
High School	Jahki Manley	Linda Darkwah

ACTION: The Chair called for a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was made by Francoise Deristel-Leger and seconded by Surbhi Patel. No objections or abstentions were noted. The consent agenda passed.

The Board received an update from Achievement First Chief Financial Officer Ben Schanback on the revised Accounting Policies and Procedures Manual.

The Board discussed the election of a teacher representative to the Board and will consider the matter at its next meeting.

V. **Executive Session**

The Chair stated that the board would go into an executive session for the purpose of annual board training. The chair asked for a motion for the board to enter executive session. Upon a motion duly made by Francoise Deristel-Leger and seconded by Surbhi Patel, the Board voted unanimously to enter executive session.

The Board entered executive session at 5:56 p.m. and exited at 6:55 p.m. No action was taken in the executive session.

VI. **Adjourn**

There being no further business, the Chair asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Upon a motion duly made, seconded, and approved, the Board adjourned the meeting at 6:56 p.m.