

**AGENDA**  
**LOUISIANA ACADEMY OF PRODUCTION**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**August 26, 2025 – 12:00 p.m.**  
**10000 Celtic Dr. | Lobby Conference Room**  
**Baton Rouge, LA 70809**  
**Virtual Stream: [Zoom](#)** (Meeting ID: 879 1759 4022 Passcode: LAAP2025)

Minutes recorded by A Bennett

- I.** Call the Meeting to Order 12:05pm | Katie Patton Pryor  
In Attendance: 11 out of 12 present – Quorum
- Katie Patton Pryor (President)
  - Morgan Ripski (Vice President)
  - Brandon LaGarde (Treasurer)
  - Adriane Bennett (Secretary)
  - Clint Ebey, Darrell Roberson, Steve Krul, Kenny Nguyen, Sabreen Thorne, Tirza F
  - Darrell Roberson
  - Steeve Rayne-Warren – via Zoom
  - Steve Krul
  - Kenny Nguyen
  - Sabreen Thorne
  - Tirza Fernandez-Brazier

Absent:

Samantha Smith

Also in Attendance/guests:

Fallon Buckner Ward – CEO  
Ceasar Hendricks - Principal  
Jonathan Table of 4SS  
Cody Bourque LDOE  
Bebe Ryan – via ZOOM  
Melissa Corolla – via ZOOM

Motion to accept previous meeting minutes of June 24, 2025 Board Meeting.

Approved.

**II. Executive Director's Report | Fallon Buckner-Ward**

- A. Update from Executive Director
- B. Full Report is on Google Drive
  - 1. Acknowledgements
  - 2. Facilities – status update
  - 3. Finance & Contracts

- 4. Student Recruitment
- 5. Fundraising
- 6. Board Matters
- 7. Leadership Development
- C. Principal Introduction and Key Updates | Caesar Hendricks
  - 1. Full report on Google Drive under ED Report

### **III. Board Officers | Katie Pryor**

Adriane Bennett nominated for Secretary LAAP Board

Nomination made August 15, 2025 by Katie Pryor; Seconded Clint Ebey

Approved.

### **IV. Finance | Jonathan Tebeleff (4SS)**

- A. Review LAAP Budget FY26 – compare 2 scenarios
- B. Documents in Google Drive for review
- C. B. Lagarde Motioned to accept Budget FY26 K. Nguyen Seconded. Approved
- D. Review of 2 companies Auditor Proposals.
  - 1. Discussion of companies and proposals
  - 2. B. LaGarde Motioned to extend contract of Daigrepont & Brian Auditor Contract. K Nguyen Seconded. Approved.

### **V. Committee Reports**

- A. Finance and Governance Committee | Chair B. LaGarde reported.
  - 1. Projections of first 5 years – see Finance report on Google Drive
  - 2. Working with Fundraising group to identify gaps needed to be filled.
  - 3. We now have line of credit of \$200,000
  - 4. 4SS very helpful and thanks to Jonathan for his assistance.
  - 5. By-laws discussion – revisions made to clarify and be in better compliance. Proposed changes in Google Drive.
- B. Academic & Program Committee | Chair S. Thorne reported
  - 1. Full Report on the Google Drive
  - 2. Many items on ED report
- C. Fundraising Committee | Chair M. Ripski reported
  - 1. Full Report in Google Drive
  - 2. Working the Bebe Ryan and Fallon to get 6 yr fundraising goal for \$5.1M (1.9/yr for basic needs) assumes current CSF and
  - 3. Facilities priorities for fundraising – unique facilities needs
  - 4. \$1M for Facilities; \$2M Programs
  - 5. Goals based off most conservative models
  - 6. Expectations for Full Board – hit 100% board giving goal (gifts can be given through website and paypal for now)

## **VI. Old Business | Katie Prior**

- A. Presentation of Data Analytics by 225 Magazine - in ED Report

## **VII. New Business | Katie Prior**

Brandon LaGarde Motioned to approve Items A – C, Tirza Seconded. Approved.

- A. **ACTION:** Approval of contract with ReSet Ed Consulting proposal for professional development.
- B. **ACTION:** Approval of JCampus Student Information System (SIS) contract.
- C. **ACTION:** Approval of updated LAAP Board Bylaws.
- D. **REVIEW:** Proposal Presented by Christopher Jeansonne
1. In Google Drive
  2. Under threshold

## **VIII. Announcements & Future Agenda Items | Katie Pryor**

Reminder: LAPCS Board Training (MANDATORY)

- September 10, 2025
- 3 PM - 7 PM
- Location BRCC – Magnolia Building

Upcoming Meetings:

October 21, 2025

December 18, 2025

February 24, 2026

A Bennett Motion to adjourn S Krul seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 1:36pm A