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# Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School

## Minutes

### Board Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday November 15, 2016 at 6:30 PM

#### **Location**

ANCS Middle Campus - 820 Essie Avenue 30316

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*Notice of this meeting was posted at each campus and on the ANCS website in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1.*

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#### **Directors Present**

Eric Teusink, Joyce Gist Lewis, Leigh Finlayson, Lia Santos, Meeghan Fortson, Melissa McKay-Hagan, Mitch White, Narin Hassan, Nicholas Chiles, Philippe Pellerin, Ryan Camp, Tara Stoinski, Tiffany Mitchell

#### **Directors Absent**

*None*

#### **Directors who left before the meeting adjourned**

Philippe Pellerin

#### **Ex Officio Members Present**

Matt Underwood

#### **Non Voting Members Present**

Matt Underwood

#### **Guests Present**

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Brittany Sattler, Cathey Goodgame, Kari Lovell, Kristen German, Lara Zelski, Mark Sanders

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## **I. Opening Items**

### **A. Record Attendance and Guests**

### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

Mitch White called a meeting of the board of directors of Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School to order on Tuesday Nov 15, 2016 at 6:33 PM.

### **C. Approve Minutes from Prior Board Meeting**

Melissa McKay-Hagan made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 10-18-16 Board Meeting on 10-18-16.

Leigh Finlayson seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

### **D. PTCA Report**

Award for excellence in governance presented by Board On Track to Matt Underwood and ANCS Board. Joy Prince presented the PTCA report. It was a busy fall, but productive. The PTCA awarded nine mini grants (gaga ball kit, picnic tables, meditation cushions). Membership is at 196. Highlighted the last three PTCA events.

### **E. Principals' Open Forum**

Cathey Goodgame Introduced Mark Sanders, the interim principal at the middle campus. Middle campus has gotten a new Gaga Ball Pit. At the EC, the students are working hard for Winterfest. Lara Zelski said that the EC worked hard on Make a Difference Day.

## **II. Old Business**

### **A. Updated Promotion Policy**

Matt Underwood presented the proposed revisions to section 4 of the school's promotion policy to insure alignment with IB terminology. Small change to the promotion policy to be in alignment with IB.

Philippe Pellerin made a motion to approve the new promotion policy.

Leigh Finlayson seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

## **III. Executive Director's Report**

### **A. Report on MAP data from Administration #1**

Matt Underwood provided background information on the MAP test. Presented the MAP scores of projected growth between grade levels as a whole for reading and math. This is the first time this information has been collected and presented for the school. Projected growth targets were then explained to the board as a score that is for each individualized student. Scores were then presented by race/ethnicity projected growth. As a faculty and staff it has been a discussion on helping students regardless of race/ethnicity being able to meet growth projections and performing on grade level. The principals then provided ways that students are remediated if test scores are lower than normal. Mitch offered the idea of having a further discussion of the MAP test, data, etc at a further date, and possibly with School Psychologist Nancy Lamb. Philippe Pellerin left.

#### **B. Special ANCS Visitor Events**

Matt Underwood described three special events that are happening soon. The first allows people of the community to come and view the school (ie elected officials, relators, members of the DOE, not perspective parents) at the end of November. The second is an Alumni breakfast in December. The last is the State of the School Breakfast in January.

#### **C. Quarterly Performance Dashboard**

Matt Underwood presented aspects of the dashboard that are different in comparison to previous years.

### **IV. Fund Development**

#### **A. Monthly fund development report**

N. Hassan mentioned that Grandparents Day donations have been coming in all month. Presented the new design for Gather and Grow card. Thursday is GA Gives Day. Fund Development Assistant interviews are set to begin soon. Provided current fund development amounts, and the previous two year's amounts.

### **V. Business & Operations**

#### **A. Monthly financial statements & reports**

R. Camp presented the report. Grants to green window film application has been paid for. Budget adjustments will be made in December.

### **VI. Governance**

#### **A. Monthly Governance Report**

L. Santos presented. Continued to work on the succession plan. The committee has begun planning for the mid year retreat, and presented a rough draft of the agenda. Date of mid-year retreat Feb. 4.

## **B. Board Nominations Subcommittee**

Eric Teusink made a motion to approve the nominations subcommittee.

Lia Santos seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Striving for a balanced and diverse board. Also extending Mitch and possibly Lia's term on the board.

## **VII. Educational Excellence**

### **A. Monthly Educational Excellence Report**

No Ed. Excellence report this month.

### **B. Public Affairs Subcommittee Report**

Eric Teusink discussed two people that are leaving the APS Board. Two of which were great supporters for charter schools. Not sure how amendment one not passing will affect the Educational Reform Bill.

## **VIII. Executive Session**

### **A. Executive Session**

No executive session.

## **IX. Closing Items**

### **A. Brief Meeting Reflection**

### **B. Adjourn Meeting**

Leigh Finlayson made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Eric Teusink seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Melissa McKay-Hagan