

Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday January 17, 2017 at 6:30 PM

Location

ANCS Middle Campus - 820 Essie Ave 30316

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

Directors Present

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

Directors Absent Mitch White, Ryan Camp

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened Eric Teusink, Joyce Gist Lewis, Philippe Pellerin

Ex Officio Members Present Matt Underwood

Non Voting Members Present Matt Underwood

Guests Present

Cathey Goodgame, Elizabeth Hearn, Kristen German, Lara Zelski, Mark Sanders, Maya Jenkins, McKenzie Wren

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Tara Stoinski called a meeting of the board of directors of Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School to order on Tuesday Jan 17, 2017 at 6:34 PM.

C. Approve Minutes from Prior Board Meeting

The minutes could not be seen on Board on Track. A vote will be taken next meeting.

D. PTCA Report

An overview of previous PTCA Events were reported. As well as upcoming events (bingo, looking for new PTCA leadership). Joyce Gist Lewis arrived.

E. Principals' Open Forum

Middle Campus 1st grade reports went home electronically. A health insurance company filmed a commercial, and offered the school money which will be used on students to possibly see the movie Hidden Figures.

Lara presented the attendance rate of the elementary campus. 1st round of progress reports were sent home. The elementary campus is doing research to see whether to continue professional development in Writing Workshop or to move into Reading Workshop professional development. Eric Teusink arrived.

II. New Business

A. 2017-18 School Year Calendar

The most significant differences in this school calendar are the October and February breaks.

B. FY17 Budget Amendment

Philippe Pellerin arrived. Amended budget will be presented for a vote next month.

III. Executive Director's Report

A. Diversity & Equity Update

A letter will be in the Courier about the weighted lottery, and the importance of a diverse student body. February 1st the application will go out electronically. The application for the lottery is only a few questions (verification will occur after the lottery.) The amount of weight depends upon how many economically disadvantaged students apply. Diversity sessions will also be held with parents. The Diversity and Equity Education team will also do some work with the board. The various types of diversity work that has been done with leadership, and the school as a whole was presented to the board. McKenzie Wren asked the amount of time the board wanted to spend working on diversity work. The board can choose to work with the diversity team philosophically, or looking inward to own personal bias. There will most likely be a lack of closure, and a continuous journey. Suggestion of having a retreat that focuses on this work.

B. Faculty/Staff Quality of Life Initiative Update

Presented previous ways the school has focused on this initiative. Compensation policy is looking to be updated. Also a clearer articulation for pathways of growth. Also looking to offer a study grant opportunity for teachers at ANCS for 5+ years.

C. January Personnel Report

IV. Governance

A. Monthly Governance Report

Finalizing and prepping for board retreat on February 4th. Succession plan will be reviewed with Matt and Mitch upon Mitch's return. Discussed board application process.

V. Educational Excellence

A. Monthly Educational Excellence Report

Next set of MAP scores possibly having a presentation of the different extremes. Next meeting MAP scores will be discussed.

B. Public Affairs Subcommittee Report

Public Affairs Update. Looking forward to participate in day at the capitol.

VI. Business & Operations

A. Monthly financial statements & reports

Not much to report. APS Allocation went down, due to the decrease in class sizes. May end up with a higher overall revenue amount. A new copier system will be implemented soon. Solar panels for the EC will be installed during February. The EC received money from the filming in December at the Ark of Salvation church.

VII. Fund Development

A. Monthly fund development report

No formal report. Fund development numbers are higher this December than last December. Fund development/CREATE program position has been filled. Provided an Auction update. Sara Massey and Angelique Dumas Edwards will be chairing the auction this year. The event is scheduled for Saturday, March 11 at the Georgia Freight Depot.

VIII. Closing Items

A. Brief Meeting Reflection

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Melissa McKay-Hagan