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Minutes

ANCS Governing Board Meeting

Date and Time
Monday March 15, 2021 at 6:30 PM

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

Directors Present
Angela Christie (remote), Barrett Coker Krise (remote), Ben Sutton (remote), Carla Wells (remote), Emily Ormsby (remote), Hanah Goldberg (remote), Jason Rhodes (remote), Jordache Avery (remote), Kristen Frenzel (remote), Kristi Malloy (remote), Lee Kynes (remote), Rhonda Collins (remote), Sabrina Sexton (remote)

Directors Absent
None

Guests Present
Arnold Pierce (remote), Ashley Deck (remote), Brittney Gove (remote), Cathey Goodgame (remote), Chuck Meadows (remote), Daniel DuVal (remote), Jerry Hanes (remote), Lara Zelski (remote), Mark Sanders (remote), Meeghan Fortson (remote), Nicole King (remote), Noel Christy (remote), Paige Teusink (remote), Santina Cambor (remote), Sheridan Thompson (remote), Trey Jackson (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B.

Call the Meeting to Order

Kristen Frenzel called a meeting of the board of directors of Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School to order on Monday Mar 15, 2021 at 6:33 PM.

C. Brain Smart Start

Lara Zelski led the Brain Smart Start

D. Public Comment

E. Approve Minutes from Prior Board Meeting

Jason Rhodes made a motion to approve the minutes from ANCS Governing Board Meeting on 02-22-21.
Sabrina Sexton seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

F. PTCA President Update

Brittney Gove reported that the PTCA had increased its budget for teacher/faculty appreciation due to the increased HOWL Hybrid support staff. She provided an overview of projects and events, including Cooking with ANCS, the yearbook, and the virtual Run with the Wolves. The PTCA is currently recruiting members to fill leadership positions, as several current leaders are rolling off. See packet for full report.

G. Principals' Open Forum

Cathey Goodgame reported that students at the Middle Campus are preparing for student-led parent-teacher conferences, and invited parents and Board members to learn how grades are calculated at the Middle Campus by watching the video available in the *Courier.*

Lara Zelski noted that 60 more students had been welcomed back to in-person learning since March 8, and reported that the additional H.O.W.L.Hybrid support staff has been acclimating as they provide crucial support to the hybrid learning program. Interviews with a strong group of prospective teachers took place on March 6, and offers were made to 5 teachers.

II. Executive Director's Report

A. Charter Renewal Update

Chuck Meadows reported that the State Board of Education would vote on the proposed ANCS Charter on March 26.

B.

HOWL Hybrid Update

Chuck Meadows reported that 79% of Elementary Campus students are participating in in-person learning, while 64% Middle Campus students are. Virtual learning will remain an option for the remainder of the school year. Teachers who have not identified a medical exclusion or extenuating circumstances will return to classroom instruction by April 19. See packet for full report.

C. Lottery Update

Chuck Meadows reported that a total of 66 students were offered admission after participating in the enrollment lottery. Fifty-six of these offers were made to kindergarteners, while 10 were made to 6th grade students. See packet for full report.

III. DEAT Update

A. Monthly DEAT Report

Jason Rhodes reported that the DEAT Book Club would meet to discus *Brown Girl Dreaming*, by Jaqueline Woodson on March 24 at 7:00PM, and a discussion of the *New York Times* podcast *1619* would be held in April, date TBD. He also reported that DEAT had submitted a draft 2021-2022 budget to Chuck Meadows for review, and that they would meet with him to discuss it on March 16.

IV. Business & Operations

A. Monthly Business & Operations Report

Emily Ormsby reported that the school is in a strong cash position, that the school had utilized all Payroll Protection Program (PPP) loan funds as required, and was awaiting loan forgiveness, and that preliminary discussions had begun with Citizens Trust Bank to refinance the Middle Campus mortgage.

Jordache Avery reported on plans to replace HVAC units in spring rather than summer.

See packet for full report.

V. Governance

A. Monthly Governance Report

Lee Kynes reported that the Midyear Executive Director Evaluation was complete, and that an Executive Summary of the evaluation would be made available to Board members. Review of policies is ongoing, and further recommended changes will be brought to the Board for a vote at the April meeting.

B. Vote on Policy Revisions

Lee Kynes made a motion to approve the proposed changes to the Governing Board Bylaws.
Rhonda Collins seconded the motion.
The proposed changes are included in the packet.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Nominations Task Force Report

Kristi Malloy reported that the Nominations Task Force had interviewed a strong group of candidates and that decisions would be made this week, with the slate to be voted on by the full Board at the April meeting.

VI. Fund Development

A. Monthly Fund Development Report

Sabrina Sexton reported that a "No Ball Wonderball" virtual fundraising event would be held this week (March 15-19) and encouraged participation and donations. She reported that nearly 80% of the annual fundraising goal had been reached, and that the goal for February had been exceeded by $4000. See packet for full report.

VII. Educational Excellence

A. Vote on 2021-2022 School Calendar

Hanah Goldberg made a motion to approve the 2021-2022 calendar.
Angela Christie seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VIII. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

The Board did not go into Executive Session.

IX. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Sabrina Sexton made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Jason Rhodes seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously 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 7:34 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jason Rhodes

Documents used during the meeting

- PTCA Report - 03.15.21 Governing Board Meeting.pdf
- Executive Director's Report 3_15_20.pdf
- March 2021 - DEAT Update.pdf
- BusOps Comm BOD Update_Mar 2021.pdf
- 02_28_21 Finance Committee Report FY21 Final FCReview (2).pdf
- March_Board_Governance_Report.pdf
- ANCS Bylaws Redline 2020.03.10.pdf
- March 2021 - -Noms Process 2021-2022.pdf
- Fund Development Committee Report March 2021.pdf
- 2021-2022-Proposed-Academic-Calendar.pdf