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## Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School

### Minutes

#### ANCS Governing Board Meeting

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##### **Date and Time**

Monday April 19, 2021 at 6:30 PM

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

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##### **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), Cathey Goodgame (remote), Chuck Meadows (remote), Irina Brimmell (remote), Jerry Haynes (remote), Lara Zelski (remote), Mark Sanders (remote), Markecia Jacobs (remote), Nakia Echols (remote), Nicole King (remote), Noel Christy (remote), Paige Teusink (remote), Pouya Dianet (remote), Rhiannen Laurent (remote), Santana Gambor (remote), Sheridan Thompson (remote), Tilifayea Griffin (remote)

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#### **I. Opening Items**

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

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### **Call the Meeting to Order**

Kristen Frenzel called a meeting of the board of directors of Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School to order on Monday Apr 19, 2021 at 6:32 PM.

### **C. Brain Smart Start**

Nicole King led the Brain Smart Start.

### **D. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

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

Jason Rhodes made a motion to approve the minutes from ANCS Governing Board Meeting on 03-15-21.

Sabrina Sexton seconded the motion.

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

### **F. PTCA President Update**

Paige Teusink gave the PTCA Report, and reported on teacher and staff appreciation, the yearbook in progress, events for Earth Day, and the PTCA. See packet for complete report.

### **G. Principals' Open Forum**

Lara Zelski reported that the Elementary Campus had welcomed most teachers back to school, and that about 90% of students were doing in-person learning. The EC is currently working on getting the MAP and Milestones schedules approved.

Cathey Goodgame reported that at the Middle Campus, about 80% of students had signed up for in-person learning in some way. MC students are getting ready for exhibitions.

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

### **A. HOWL Hybrid Update**

Chuck Meadows reported that the State Board of Education voted unanimously to approve the school charter in March, and that the charter contract had been signed.

Virtual learning will remain an option until at least the end of the academic year. APS schools are required to offer daily in-person instruction during the 2021-2022 academic year.

See packet for complete report.

### III. DEAT Update

#### A. Monthly DEAT Report

Jason Rhodes reported on upcoming DEAT events, including the DEAT Book Club and the DEAT Podcast Discussion Group. He also reported on DEAT's recently passed budget request, and ongoing work to create job descriptions for the stipended community outreach positions to be filled for the 2021-2022 school year. See packet for complete report.

### IV. Business & Operations

#### A. Monthly Business & Operations Report

Emily Ormsby reported that the school continued to be in a strong cash position and that Payroll Protection Plan (PPP) loan forgiveness had been received in March. See packet for complete report.

#### B. Vote on 2021-2022 Budget

Chuck Meadows provided an overview of the budget, and noted that it reflects the school's focus on the whole child, with an expansion of counseling services at both campuses, an expansion of the farm and garden program, and the permanent addition of a school nurse. See packet for full report.

Sabrina Sexton made a motion to approve the 2021-2022 budget.

Lee Kynes seconded the motion.

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

### V. Governance

#### A. Monthly Governance Report

Lee Kynes reported that the ED Evaluation would be completed by the June meeting. See packet for complete report.

#### B. Vote on Policy Revisions

Lee Kynes made a motion to approve proposed revisions to board governance policies. Sabrina Sexton seconded the motion.

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

#### C. Nominations Task Force Report

Kristi Mallow reported that the Nominations Task Force had completed its work, and recommended that the board approve nominees Irina Brimmell and Pouya Dianet as new board members, as well as a second term for continuing board member Hanah Goldberg.

#### **D. Vote on Slate of New Board Members**

Kristi Malloy made a motion to approve Irina Brimmell and Pouya Dianet as new board members, and approve a second term for continuing board member Hanah Goldberg.

Carla Wells seconded the motion.

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

### **VI. Fund Development**

#### **A. Monthly Fund Development Report**

Sabrina Sexton reported that the school is on track to meet its 2020-2021 fundraising goal, that board participation in Gather and Grow Fund fundraising had reached 100%, and that the No Ball Wonderball event more than doubled its \$10,000 fundraising goal. See packet for complete report.

### **VII. Educational Excellence**

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

Hanah Goldberg discussed the schedule for MAP and Milestones.

Chuck Meadows reported on a 3-pronged approach to summer learning: Extended School Year (ESY) for students with special needs, a parent-driven tutoring program to connect ANCS teachers willing to tutor to families wanting instruction, and online learning resources available to all families.

Chuck also announced that Ashley Deck would be leaving ANCS after 14 years of service, and thanked her for her contributions to the school. A new position, Dean of Academic Growth, will be created and filled for the 2021-2022 academic year.

### **VIII. Executive Session**

#### **A. Executive Session**

The board did not enter into executive session.

### **IX. New Business**

#### **A. Board Training Reminder**

Jason Rhodes provided a reminder of training requirements and dates for upcoming training opportunities. See packet for details.

### **X. Closing Items**

#### **A.**

### **Adjourn Meeting**

Jason Rhodes made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Sabrina Sexton 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 7:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jason Rhodes

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### **Documents used during the meeting**

- PTCA Report - 04.19.21 Governing Board Meeting (1).pdf
- Executive Director's Report 4\_19\_20.pdf
- April 2021 - DEAT Update.pdf
- DEAT Proposed Budget.pdf
- BusOps Comm BOD Update\_Mar 2021 (4).pdf
- 03\_31\_21 Finance Committee Report FY21 FINAL (1).pdf
- FY22 Proposed Budget Overview.pdf
- FY22 Proposed Budget.pdf
- April\_Governance\_Report (1).pdf
- Governance Policies 2.1 - 2.19 Redline.pdf
- Noms Process 2021-2022 (4).pdf
- Fund Development Committee Report April 2021.pdf
- Educational Excellence Committee Report 4\_2021.pdf
- Training Reminder.pdf