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Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School

Minutes

Governing Board Monthly Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday October 24, 2024 at 6:30 PM

Location

Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School - Elementary Campus
688 Grant Street
Atlanta, GA 30315

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

Directors Present

Cory Tiede, Emily Hansen, Jason Zwang, Jonna Martin, LaNiesha Cobb Sanders, Mark Boswell (remote), Oriol Miroso, Rebecca Wagner, Ruth Link-Gelles, Shannon Rutledge

Directors Absent

Amber Suitt, Daron Joffe, Drew Waddell

Guests Present

Alastair Pullen, Lara Zelski (remote), Mark Sanders (remote), Paige Teusink (remote), Wakita Jacobs

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance & Guests

B.

Call the Meeting to Order

Shannon Rutledge called a meeting of the board of directors of Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School to order on Thursday Oct 24, 2024 at 6:31 PM.

C. Public Comment

D. Approve Minutes from Prior Board Meeting

Rebecca Wagner made a motion to approve the minutes from Governing Board Monthly Meeting on 09-19-24.

Cory Tiede seconded the motion.

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

II. School Leadership Updates

A. PTCA Spotlight

PTCA grants went out, a total of \$5,000 awarded. Next grant cycle is in January.

Upcoming events include kickball, Fall Fest, Run with the Wolves. Recently filled 2 leadership positions, EC Teacher Appreciation and Related Arts Appreciation.

B. Principals' Open Forum

MC: Nic Stone author visit, coming back from fall break. Hands on Atlanta visited the MC and did some work on the farm, painted chicken coup. Great success in the fall sports, basketball season starting next. Lots of upcoming events, including farm event, Veterans Day Panel, year end trip info sessions.

EC: State Literacy Leader award ceremony this morning at Carver High School.

Monday's morning meeting will celebrate this year's 4th graders and teachers who won this last year. No Place for Hate program for 5th graders. Second round of Benchmark Advance training was successful. Grandparents and Special Friends Day tomorrow. First graders will be doing a research project in after school called Reading Robot, farm even, Fall Fast coming up.

C. Executive Director's Monthly Report

Literacy Leaders award ceremony this morning, Hands on Atlanta visit. Strategic plan updates, enrollment updates, school calendar updates.

APS is starting on Friday, August 1. Proposal here is a Tuesday start date, July 29. Next 4 years with the same pattern will be back to August start dates. 97% of staff were in favor of the week long breaks in October and February. Idea is to have a consistent pattern year over year for start dates. Starting slightly earlier than APS allows us to recruit better, especially economically disadvantaged families. School days the week after Memorial Day often have very low attendance - lost instructional days and lost funding.

Presentation and discussion on office space leasing on Georgia Ave.

III. Committee Updates

A. Educational Excellence and Accountability Committee Monthly Report

LaNiesha Cobb Sanders made a motion to approve the 25-26 and 26-27 school calendars.

Cory Tiede seconded the motion.

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

B. Finance & Operations Committee: Annual Audit Report Findings

Presentation from Mauldin & Jenkins, issued a clean report. Received full access to votes and records, no controversial accounting members, nothing withheld.

C. Finance & Operation Committee: Annual Audit Vote

Oriol Miroso made a motion to approve draft audit report.

Rebecca Wagner seconded the motion.

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

D. Finance & Operation Committee: Lease agreement

Rebecca Wagner made a motion to approve lease agreement.

Cory Tiede seconded the motion.

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

IV. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shannon Rutledge