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# Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School

# Minutes

## Governing Board Monthly Meeting

**Date and Time**
Thursday August 21, 2025 at 6:30 PM

**Location**
Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School - Elementary Campus
Meeting Trailer
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**
Duanne Davis (remote), Emily Hansen (remote), Evan Saadat, Jen Hidinger-Kendrick, Jonna Martin, Kilamba Augusto, LaNiesha Cobb Sanders, Mark Boswell, Rebecca Wagner, Robin Hubier, Ruth Link-Gelles

**Directors Absent**
Drew Waddell, Shannon Rutledge

**Guests Present**
Alastair Pullen, Lara Zelski, Mark Sanders, Paige Teusink (remote), Rhiannen Laurent

### I. Opening Items

**A. Record Attendance & Guests**

**B.**

**Call the Meeting to Order**

LaNiesha Cobb Sanders called a meeting of the board of directors of Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School to order on Thursday Aug 21, 2025 at 6:33 PM.

### C. Public Comment

### D. Approve Meeting Minutes from 6/12/25 and 8/9/25

Rebecca Wagner made a motion to approve the minutes from Governing Board Monthly Meeting on 06-12-25.
Jen Hidinger-Kendrick seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
Rebecca Wagner made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Called Board Meeting on 08-09-25.
Jen Hidinger-Kendrick seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## II. School Leadership Updates

### A. Principals' Open Forum

EC: discussed campus wide foci for the year, including implementing Benchmark, GA math and ELA standards, and closing the opportunity gap; behavior interventions training during preplanning; kids learning guiding principles, learning routines and procedures (takes 6-12 weeks); morning meetings; celebrating 3rd grade Milestones achievement (3rd in entire state); MAP testing finished; MRESA math training. Looking forward: teachers setting SMART goals, ELA standards, Curriculum Night, Benchmark training, parent-teacher conferences.

MC: areas of focus this year: unit planning (concepts over content), lesson planning (alignment to learning targets, classroom management. Cell phone policy: locked in boxes in the main office and given back at the end of the day; town halls; book club; MAP, drills, office hours; fall sports and clubs. Looking forward: Meet the School Family Night, GaLEADS observations, IB Middle Years Program info sessions, Hispanic Heritage Month, picture day is 9/28.

### B. Executive Director's Monthly Report

ED goals, Milestones testing, enrollment update

## III. Action Items

### A. VOTE: Governing Committee Members for the 25-26 SY

Rebecca Wagner made a motion to approve the committee members for 25-26.
Jonna Martin seconded the motion.

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

## IV. Committee Updates

### A. Educational Excellence Committee Monthly Report

Starting regular meetings in September.

### B. Finance & Operations Committee Monthly Report

### C. Advancement Committee Monthly Report

Reminder to Board to make pledges

### D. Governance Committee Monthly Report

Rebecca Wagner made a motion to approve policy updates from last year.
Evan Saadat seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## V. 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 7:33 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
LaNiesha Cobb Sanders