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Minutes

Governing Board Monthly Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday February 12, 2026 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
Drew Waddell, Duanne Davis (remote), Evan Saadat, Jen Hidinger-Kendrick, Jonna Martin, Kilamba Augusto, LaNiesha Cobb Sanders (remote), Rebecca Wagner, Robin Hubier, Ruth Link-Gelles, Shannon Rutledge

Directors Absent
Emily Hansen, Mark Boswell

Guests Present
Alastair Pullen, Anna Kovari, Lara Zelski (remote), Lesley Michael (remote), Mark Sanders (remote), Natalie Caudle (remote), Paige Teusink (remote)

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 Feb 12, 2026 at 6:34 PM.

C. Public Comment

D. Approve Meeting Minutes from 12/18/25

Rebecca Wagner made a motion to approve the minutes from Governing Board Monthly Meeting on 12-18-25.
Evan Saadat seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. School Leadership Updates

A. Spotlight Area: Faculty Research- Lesley Michael and Natalie Caudle

Ms. Michael and Ms. Caudle summarized research they had previously presented at the CASE Conference in Nov 2025. Co-teaching is a partnership between classroom teacher and special ed teacher and has lots of benefits including increasing instruction time and opportunities and decreasing stigma associated with removal from class. Co-planning is essential for co-teaching.

B. Principals' Open Forum

EC - busy start to the semester, including progress reports, Family Math Night, Skate Night, Lit, Love, Read. Upcoming in March, Black History Month Celebration, CogAT Testing, book fair, Lunar New Year Celebration Dragon Parade, MAP.

MC - also busy. Black History Month, 8th grade MJHS visit, prospective parent night, 7th grade trip to Jekyll Island. Upcoming in March, Teacher Appreciation, Asynchronous, Service as Action Day.

C. Executive Director's Monthly Report

See slides for detail.

III. Action Items

A. Board Members- 2026-2027 SY

Tabled to a future meeting.

IV. Committee Updates

A.

Educational Excellence Committee Monthly Report

B. Finance & Operations Committee Monthly Report

Jonna Martin made a motion to ANCS commits $104,000 to the trailer buy-out.
Evan Saadat seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Advancement Committee Monthly Report

Working to form a foundation for the school. Working with Purpose Possible to form.

D. Governance Committee Update

V. General Announcements

A. Board Training Hours

Pause for now as the training hours are being changed. More info to come.

VI. 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 7:50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shannon Rutledge