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Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School

Minutes

Governing Board Monthly Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday May 21, 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, Emily Hansen, Evan Saadat, Jen Hidingen-Kendrick, Jonna Martin (remote), Kilamba Augusto, LaNiesha Cobb Sanders, Mark Boswell (remote), Rebecca Wagner, Robin Hubier, Ruth Link-Gelles, Shannon Rutledge

Directors Absent

None

Guests Present

Alastair Pullen, Alison Coddair (remote), Lara Zelski (remote), Mark Sanders (remote), NaTasha Woody-Wideman (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 May 21, 2026 at 6:30 PM.

C. Public Comment

D. Approve Meeting Minutes from 4/16/26

Rebecca Wagner made a motion to approve the minutes from Governing Board Monthly Meeting on 04-16-26.

Jen Hiding-Kendrick seconded the motion.

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

II. School Leadership Updates

A. Principals' Open Forum

MC - highlights included annual performance reviews and conferences, 6/7 exhibitions, 8th grade Savannah trip, 8th grade celebration. Post-planning on Tuesday for teachers and summer planning.

EC - Milestones, 5th graders wrote letters to 3rd graders since first time taking Milestones. Annual performance reviews, celebrated Kelly at Morning Meeting, speed dating for teacher assignments for next year. Wrapping up portfolio shares, last day of school, post planning on 5/26.

B. Executive Director's Monthly Report

End of year highlights included 8th grade celebration, gearing up for summer, including partnerships (Alliance Theater camp), lots of building maintenance/updates, focus on alignment between the campuses, some additional options for aftercare.

C. Technology Infrastructure Updates

Ransomware incident in September 2025 led to a comprehensive assessment of schools hardware, software, policies, practices. Key findings included identity and access protections missing, threat protections only partially implemented, device and infrastructure patching not currently in place on all devices. Looking forward: firewall replacement, servers/backups/cyber essentials, user devices.

D. PTCA Updates

Reflections on the 25/26 school year and looking forward to 26/27 goals. Goals include: building community, creating sustainable structure, parent owned, staff enabled, deliver engaging events. Updates on the bylaw change proposal.

III. Action Items

A. Board Meeting and Committee Dates- 2026-2027 SY

Rebecca Wagner made a motion to approve board and committee meeting dates for 2026-2027 SY.

Duanne Davis seconded the motion.

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

IV. Committee Updates

A. Educational Excellence Committee Monthly Report

No updates.

B. Finance & Operations Committee Monthly Report

Form 990 was filed for tax exempt status.

C. Advancement Committee Monthly Report

Jen Hiding-Kendrick made a motion to approve the name "ANCS Foundation" for the foundation.

Evan Saadat seconded the motion.

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

D. Governance Committee Update

Emily Hansen made a motion to approve committee chairs for SY 2026-2027.

Drew Waddell seconded the motion.

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

Emily Hansen made a motion to approve faculty handbook.

Kilamba Augusto seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Jen Hiding-Kendrick	Abstain
Drew Waddell	Aye
Kilamba Augusto	Aye
Ruth Link-Gelles	Aye
LaNiesha Cobb Sanders	Abstain
Jonna Martin	Abstain
Evan Saadat	Aye
Robin Hubier	Aye
Shannon Rutledge	Aye
Rebecca Wagner	Aye
Duanne Davis	Abstain

Roll Call

Mark Boswell	Aye
Emily Hansen	Aye

V. General Announcements

A. Board Training Hours

Reminder to complete by June 30.

B. June 18 Board Meeting

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 7:43 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shannon Rutledge