



ATLANTA NEIGHBORHOOD CHARTER SCHOOL

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Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School

Minutes

Governing Board Monthly Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday September 17, 2026 at 6:30 PM

Location

Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School - Admin Offices
423 Georgia Ave
Atlanta, GA 30312
(entrance on Cherokee Ave.)

In accordance with Georgia's open meetings requirements, notice of this meeting has been posted at both campuses and on the ANCS website.

Directors Present

Drew Waddell, Duanne Davis, Evan Saadat, Jen Hidingen-Kendrick, Jonna Martin, Kilamba Augusto (remote), LaNiesha Cobb Sanders, Mark Boswell (remote), Robin Hubier, Ruth Link-Gelles, Shannon Rutledge (remote)

Directors Absent

Emily Hansen, Rebecca Wagner

Guests Present

Alastair Pullen, Lara Zelski (remote), Mark Sanders (remote), Nicole King (remote), Paige Teusink (remote)

I. Opening Items

A.

Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Drew Waddell called a meeting of the board of directors of Atlanta Neighborhood Charter School to order on Thursday Sep 17, 2026 at 6:33 PM.

C. Public Comment

D. Approve Meeting Minutes from 8/20/2026

Jonna Martin made a motion to approve the minutes from Governing Board Monthly Meeting on 08-20-26.

Jen Hiding-Kendrick seconded the motion.

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

II. School Leadership Updates

A. School Spotlight - Enrichment and Extension

Reasoning behind calling it "Enrichment and Extension" and summary of philosophy. Explanation of cluster grouping model, where students stay inside regular classroom. Differentiated instruction is not simply more work, but greater depth, increased complexity, student choice, independent investigation, etc. Annual review required by the state includes participation, engagement, academic progress, differentiated learning. Measures for success include more kids getting distinguished on Milestones.

B. Principals' Open Forum

EC (Nicole King) - September is about building community (as are all months), parent/teacher conferences opened this week, kicked off Hispanic Heritage Month. Coming up is new teacher meetings, GP & Special Friends Day (Oct 9), Pink Out Day (date TBA), Conscious Discipline Professional, and Learning and Parent Workshop.

MC (Mark Sanders) - Meet the School Family, Hispanic Heritage Month, Morehouse Visit, fall sports, picture day, ANCS Music Fest. Looking forward student-led conferences, IB info sessions, Farm and Culture Event.

C. Executive Director's Monthly Report

Charter Compliance Report - this is the first quarter starting to use it, much is still "TBD" because waiting on data (e.g., annual audit). Gap closing for MAP scores between Black and White students, but gap remains, so still work to be done.

III. Committee Updates

A. A. Educational Excellence Committee Monthly Report

Notes online.

B. B. Finance & Operations Committee Monthly Report

Delinquencies have been creeping up at Aftercare, so investigating.

C. C. Advancement Committee Monthly Report

Donor Appreciation even coming up, as well as a small group dinner for prospective donors.

D. D. Governance Committee Monthly Report

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 7:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Drew Waddell