



Northwest Indiana Lighthouse Charter Schools

Minutes

LANWI April 2019 Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday April 15, 2019 at 5:30 PM

Location

Lighthouse College Preparatory Academy

Directors Present

A. Payne (remote), K. Ward McDuffie, N. Lucas, R. Daniels, R. Kimbrough

Directors Absent

L. Heard, M. Rainey, N. Barksdale, Y. Irons-Johnson

Guests Present

A. Anderson, A. Nicholson, Andrea Frantz, C. Jackson, J. Beasley, L. Noel, M. Rousseau

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

K. Ward McDuffie called a meeting of the board of directors of Northwest Indiana Lighthouse Charter Schools to order on Monday Apr 15, 2019 at 5:33 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

N. Lucas made a motion to approve minutes.

R. Kimbrough seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

R. Daniels	Absent
K. Ward McDuffie	Aye
Y. Irons-Johnson	Absent
R. Kimbrough	Aye
N. Lucas	Aye
L. Heard	Absent
N. Barksdale	Absent
M. Rainey	Absent
A. Payne	Aye

II. Finance

A. East Chicago

R. Kimbrough made a motion to Pay bills for East Chicago.

N. Lucas seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

A. Payne	Aye
L. Heard	Absent
N. Lucas	Aye
R. Kimbrough	Aye
R. Daniels	Aye
Y. Irons-Johnson	Absent
K. Ward McDuffie	Aye
N. Barksdale	Absent
M. Rainey	Absent

B. Gary

R. Kimbrough made a motion to Pay bills at Gary Lighthouse.

N. Lucas seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

R. Daniels	Aye
A. Payne	Aye
N. Lucas	Aye
K. Ward McDuffie	Aye
N. Barksdale	Absent
M. Rainey	Absent
R. Kimbrough	Aye
Y. Irons-Johnson	Absent

Roll Call

L. Heard Absent

C. Controllers Report

Voted to receive the financial reports.

III. LHA Network Reports

A. RVP Report

Updates re: Implementation of curriculum, programs, materials, local PD related to Curriculum and Planning. - We are currently in gearing up for our last round of testing for both ILEARN and NWEA. Schools are using very strategic approaches to identify areas within the curriculum that need to be revisited or moved up to ensure scholars are being given what they need. - School teams have come together to begin identifying a new math curriculum that will best support the needs of our scholars in NWI.

Updates re: Implementation of Assessment and or/ Data-Driven Instruction, programs, materials, local PD related to Assessment and/or Data-Driven Instruction. (Continued) - As DDI PLC's (Professional Learning Communities) continue, leaders are pushing their teams to collaborate. Across campuses, leaders are collaborating to share best practices with data analysis & intervention. The focus continues to be grade level mastery in the Primary, Upper, and EC buildings through the use of exit ticket data from Indiana standards-based lessons. Additionally, in Semester 2, we are looking at how we strategically use the data differentiated and remediate effectively. o Focus has been heavily placed supporting scholars around deficiencies. Leaders have been meeting with teachers around their efforts through looking at the actual data but also work that lead to the data. The focus this round had been targeted toward shifting teacher practices not simply what kids aren't doing. We have also been working to ensure the "right people" are in the room when these meetings happened to maximize our effort in providing teachers and students with the needed supports.

Updates re: Social-emotional development, management of students, engagement with the arts, arts infusion, programs, and practices, restorative practice updates - The LCPA team continues to work to define the best SEL program to support our high school scholars. We have been made contact with an organization that is beginning the work to help this team create a sustainable vision around culture and action steps to begin that work. This team will also be working with our K-8 buildings to continue this work with these campuses as well. We are super excited about bringing in all stakeholders during this process strategically to ensure buy in and optimal success.

Updates re: Teacher and leader development. - Routine round of coaching and feedback sessions are still occurring. Schools are still pulling the lever on collaboration with the support of our Director of Professional Development, Susie Choi. We are really working

to develop our teachers in a way to make it “stick.” - Formal end-year evaluations are beginning for both teachers and leaders. - Teacher/Leader development continues to be a lever to as we strive to provide Authentic Experiences to increase building capacity. Teachers and leaders continuing are visiting other buildings and classrooms to calibrate, collaborate and continuously improve their instructional practices.

IV. Closing Items

A. Public Comments

B. Executive Session

Executive Session convened at 6pm

Discussed personnel issues regarding Tyler Radtke, Michael Onfrio, and Genesis Burris

Adjourned 6:11pm

Reconvened into regular session 6:12pm

C. Adjourn Meeting

N. Lucas made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

R. Kimbrough seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

K. Ward McDuffie	Aye
N. Lucas	Aye
A. Payne	Aye
Y. Irons-Johnson	Absent
R. Daniels	Aye
M. Rainey	Absent
R. Kimbrough	Aye
N. Barksdale	Absent
L. Heard	Absent

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

L. Noel

N. Lucas made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

R. Kimbrough seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

N. Barksdale	Absent
M. Rainey	Absent
R. Daniels	Aye
R. Kimbrough	Aye
L. Heard	Absent
Y. Irons-Johnson	Absent
N. Lucas	Aye
A. Payne	Aye
K. Ward McDuffie	Aye

D. Next Meeting

Next meeting May 20, 2019