



Northwest Indiana Lighthouse Charter Schools

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday April 6, 2023 at 5:30 PM

Location

Gary Lighthouse College Prep Campus
725 Clark Road
Gary, IN 46406

Directors Present

A. Payne, M. Swope, S. Caruthers

Directors Absent

None

Guests Present

A. Franz, Alyse Nicholson, Andrea Brown Thirston, Angela Briggs, C. Jackson, D. Jones (remote), G. Adell, Georgette Davis, J. Beasley, J. Holmes, J. Tebeleff (remote), K. McGuire, M. Platt, Myrna Maldonado

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

A. Payne called a meeting of the board of directors of Northwest Indiana Lighthouse Charter Schools to order on Thursday Apr 6, 2023 at 5:42 PM.

C. Table January minutes for NWILCS

A. Payne made a motion to approve the minutes from.

M. Swope seconded the motion.

January Board Meeting Minutes Are Not Available Due To Cancellation, Approving Minutes From Not In BoardOnTrack.

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

Roll Call

S. Caruthers Aye

A. Payne Aye

M. Swope Aye

II. Finance

A. East Chicago

S. Caruthers made a motion to approve the financials for EC.

A. Payne seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

S. Caruthers Aye

M. Swope Aye

A. Payne Aye

B. Gary

S. Caruthers made a motion to approve the financials for Gary.

A. Payne seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

A. Payne Aye

S. Caruthers Aye

M. Swope Aye

C. Salaries Portion of 23-24 Budget

S. Caruthers made a motion to approve the salaries portion of the 23-24 Budget.

A. Payne seconded the motion.

SC: asked question regarding a plan for increase for salaries

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

Roll Call

A. Payne Aye

S. Caruthers Aye

Roll Call

M. Swope Aye

D. New PA System for High School Campus

M. Swope made a motion to accept the recommendation for the quote.

A. Payne seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

S. Caruthers Aye

M. Swope Aye

A. Payne Aye

E. HVAC Repair Primary

M. Swope made a motion to accept the recommendation for the quote.

A. Payne seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

A. Payne Aye

S. Caruthers Aye

M. Swope Aye

III. Governance

A. Proposed Date Change for June Board Meeting

M. Swope made a motion to move the June board meeting to June 20th.

A. Payne seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

A. Payne Aye

M. Swope Aye

S. Caruthers Aye

B. 23- 24 NWILCS Proposed Calendar

M. Swope made a motion to accept the 23-24 school calendar.

A. Payne seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

M. Swope Aye

A. Payne Aye

S. Caruthers Aye

C. Term Limits

S. Caruthers made a motion to remove Lolita Kinsey Brown.

M. Swope seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

M. Swope Aye

A. Payne Aye

S. Caruthers Aye

D. New Board Members Vote

S. Caruthers made a motion to approved the membership of Myrna Maldonado to finish the term of Bri Bridges.

A. Payne seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

A. Payne Aye

S. Caruthers Aye

M. Swope Aye

S. Caruthers made a motion to approved the membership of Lolita Kensy Brown.

M. Swope seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

A. Payne No

S. Caruthers Aye

M. Swope Aye

@6:14pm A. Payne made clarifying point that new board members would be finishing out terms.

E. Process for Executive Director Evaluation

F. Update: Board Retreat and Board Trainings

G. Davis from Ball State University asked questions regarding training for new board members and would it include the virtual training fro BSU. A request was also made from members of the school team to attend. G.Davis asked how many applicants were in process and restated the min and max of board members needed (7 to 11)

IV. Committee Reports

A. Academic Excellence Committee

- Chair no longer here

V. Closing Items

A. Public Comments

G. Davis stated that BSU would be in the region to review the schools and would be visible moving forward. G. Davis requested an update on what is happening with the board wit on boarding and training.

B. Executive Session

Motion made at 6:37 to go in to executive session by A. Payne.

C. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Payne