

Northwest Indiana Lighthouse Charter Schools

Minutes

October 2024 Northwest Indiana Lighthouse Charter Schools Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday October 28, 2024 at 5:30 PM

Location

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

Directors Present

A. Brown Thirston, A. Nicholson, E. Little (remote), J. GEORGE, J. Parks, S. Caruthers

Directors Absent

A. Briggs, M. Robinson

Ex Officio Members Present

G. Adell (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

G. Adell (remote)

Guests Present

A. Franz, A. Ross, A. Shaw, C. Jackson, D. Jones (remote), D. McGleese, D. Sevier, M. Segrest (remote), S. Breitenbach (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

A. Nicholson called a meeting of the board of directors of Northwest Indiana Lighthouse Charter Schools to order on Monday Oct 28, 2024 at 5:32 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

- S. Caruthers made a motion to approve the minutes from September 2024 Northwest Indiana Lighthouse Charter Schools Board Meeting on 09-23-24.
- J. Parks seconded the motion.

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

II. Building Level Reports

A. Principals Reports

Campus highlights:

Principal Jackson highlighted Family Fall Fest at the Upper Campus; November 024 @ 5:30pm. All are encouraged to attend and RSVP

Principal Shaw highlighted- Family Fall Fest at East Chicago Campus, November 25 @ 5:30pm. All are welcome to attend. Pls RSVP!

Principal Shaw highlighted their Trunk or Treat/Fall Fest October 29, 2024 @ 5pm to 6:30pm. Plans to make

Principal Ross highlighted Homecoming Dance, November 11th at 63 Social in Hammond;

Spirit Week, Nov 11-15th

As of Saturday, 80% of 11th and 12th graders had attended a college fair.

III. Finance

A. East Chicago

Overall review of financial reports provided by David Sevier.

Pls see attached August report.

Based on this report, the EC campus is operating in a surplus.

- J. Parks made a motion to Moved Financial Report for August.
- S. Caruthers seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

J. Parks Aye

S. Caruthers Aye

E. Little Aye

M. Robinson Absent

J. GEORGE Aye

A. Briggs Absent

A. Nicholson Aye

B. Gary

Overview of Gary financial report provided by David Sevier.

Pls see attached August report.

For this reporting period, Gary is operating at a deficit.

We should expect to show a deficit for next month. Additional questions surrounding budget to actual budgeting practices.

- J. Parks made a motion to accept August's financial report for audit.
- S. Caruthers seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

J. GEORGE Aye
M. Robinson Absent
J. Parks Aye
A. Briggs Absent
E. Little Aye
A. Nicholson Aye
S. Caruthers Aye
A. Brown Thirston Aye

C. 2024-2025 Budget Amendment

Review of budget changes:

The board is being asked to approve the budget amendments for FY' 2025.

Changes were made as a result of increases in student enrollment.

Please see full report attached

IV. Committee Reports

A. Governance

Board member Marcus Robinson provided a letter to resign. His resignation was accepted by the board.

The board retreat was held virtually and the following was discussed:

- -Roles/responsibilities of the board
- -Establishing goals
- -Revise bylaws with the assistance of David J.
- -Consider changing November's board meeting due to September financials reports will not be available. Motion passed to move November's meeting to December 9th.
- -Board members are to participate in two community activities a year and four BOT developmental trainings a year
- -Participation in the Nov 13th Contract renewal meeting

B. Academic Excellence Report

Andrea Thurman reported out:

BYO data explored for K-8

All campuses have been working on a comprehensive plan to make use of the data Math remains an area of opportunity across all campuses.

V. NWILCS District Reports

A. District Level Reports

Review attached report, no questions

B. Operations Updates

Review attached report, no questions

VI. Closing Items

A. Public Comments

Mr. Will Miller introduced himself to the board as a candidate for the office of State Senate, district 3.

B. Executive Session

Moved into executive session

C. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:06 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, J. GEORGE

Documents used during the meeting

- 2024-2025 GLCPC_October_Board Report.docx.pdf
- UPPER Board Report 24 25 September_ October .docx (1).pdf
- September GLCS Primary Campus Board Report-September.docx (1).pdf
- EC October 24 25 Board Report.docx (1).pdf
- NWILCS Financial Packet August 2024.pdf
- AUG 2024 Financial Summary.xlsx
- East_Chicago_Top_10_Non-Payoll_Payment_8-2024 .xlsx
- NWILCS Financial Packet August 2024.pdf
- AUG 2024 Financial Summary.xlsx
- Gary_Top_10_Non-Payoll_Payment_8-2024.xlsx
- FY 2025 1st Qtr Budget Amendments.pdf
- 1st Quarter Budget Adjustments.xlsx
- October Executive Director Report 24-25.pdf
- October SY2425 Operations Board Report .docx.pdf