



# Northwest Indiana Lighthouse Charter Schools

# **Minutes**

# Special May Meeting

Food Service and Primary Project RFP

#### **Date and Time**

Monday May 19, 2025 at 5:30 PM

#### **Directors Present**

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

# **Directors Absent**

A. Brown Thirston

#### **Ex Officio Members Present**

G. Adell (remote)

# **Non Voting Members Present**

G. Adell (remote)

#### **Guests Present**

D. Sevier (remote), J. Beasley (remote), Jerry Ballard (remote), L. Franklin (remote), M. Segrest (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 May 19, 2025 at 5:35 PM.

#### C. RFP for New Food Service Vendor - EC

Mrs. Beasley presented the 3 Food service provider options- Taher, Just a Dash and Chartwell. The school recommended Taher(Ceres). General discussion was held regarding their benefit versus the other options.

Please review the complete report submitted by Mrs. Beasley. Taher is seen as the favorite due to it currently having equipment needed to execute the food service request.

- S. Caruthers made a motion to accept the recommendations for the Gary-based campus.
- E. Little seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

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

#### D. RFP for New Food Service Vendor - Gary

- J. Parks made a motion to accept the RFP submitted by Taher/Ceres.
- S. Caruthers seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

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

#### E. Final Stage for RFP for Primary Campus Project

Mrs. Beasley introduced Jerry to discuss the Primary RFP. Eight proposals were presented with two put forth for consideration-JPR and Whitman. These two companies are within the identified school budget. The two companies will meet with Mrs. Beasley and her team. The recommendation for the final vote will occur at June's meeting.

# **II. Closing Items**

# A. Adjourn Meeting

J. Parks made a motion to adjourn May's meeting.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:57 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. GEORGE

# Documents used during the meeting

None