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# Northwest Georgia Charter Academy

## Minutes

### Called Board Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday February 10, 2026 at 9:00 AM

#### **Location**

Marriott Suites Downtown Hotel, 35 14th Street NE Atlanta, GA 30309

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#### **Directors Present**

A. Lewis, C. Potts, E. Lamboy, J. Kinsey, J. Taylor, L. Cox, T. Lindsey, T. Williamson

#### **Directors Absent**

W. Salter

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Record Attendance**

#### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

J. Taylor called a meeting of the board of directors of Northwest Georgia Charter Academy to order on Tuesday Feb 10, 2026 at 9:06 AM.

#### **C. Opening Crew**

Crew Statement to think about: "Both fear and faith ask you to believe in something that you can't see, the choice is up to you."

#### **D. Approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

T. Lindsey made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting on 12-15-25.

A. Lewis seconded the motion.

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

**E. Approve Executive Session Minutes**

T. Lindsey made a motion to approve the minutes from Executive Session on 12-15-25.

A. Lewis seconded the motion.

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

**F. Meeting Norms**

Cassie Potts read the meeting norms and Judy Taylor commented we assume positive intentions even when we come with different opinions, or our votes. That is important today.

**II. Finance Committee**

**A. Finance Report**

**B. CSP Budget and Resolution**

A. Lewis made a motion to Approve Attachment A for the CSP budget.

C. Potts seconded the motion.

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

**C. Paylocity**

Discussed.

**D. State Health Plan**

Discussed.

**E. Teacher Retirement System & Public School Employees Retirement System**

Discussed.

**F. Raptor Safety System**

Discussed a cost increase. Covered with CSP money.

**III. Governance**

**A. Policies 1st Reading**

J. Kinsey made a motion to adopt policies D7, E2, G6, G7, G8, G9 on the 1st reading.

T. Lindsey seconded the motion.

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

## **B. Policies on 2nd Reading**

A. Lewis made a motion to Adopt policies A1, A2, A3, C2, C3 on the 2nd reading.

C. Potts seconded the motion.

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

## **C. Policies on Revision**

C. Potts made a motion to accept D5 Enrollment policy as amended.

A. Lewis seconded the motion.

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

## **D. Governance Training Dates**

Reminder that the Board members were in Atlanta for required new board training.

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## **IV. Operations Committee**

### **A. MOU for Dillard Building**

T. Lindsey made a motion to Approve amendment to Agenda to add the Dillard Building submission.

J. Kinsey seconded the motion.

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

C. Potts made a motion to submit Dillard building MOU to SCSC.

A. Lewis seconded the motion.

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

## **V. Other Business**

### **A. Grade levels for opening year**

Dr. Williams presented the scorecard and gate requirements for opening grades 6–8.

- The school did **not** pass **Gate 1 or Gate 2**:
  - Required **2.5 applications per seat** not met (rural context suggests 3.5).
  - Community interest is present but not strong enough to support 6–8.
  - Staffing expenses for a 6–8 model were not fully projected.
  - Academic, operational, and cultural risks increase significantly with a middle school launch.
- The original charter plan was **K–5 first**, adding one grade per year.

C. Potts made a motion to accept Dr. Williams recommendation to open with K-5 and continue with the plan to grow to K-12 adding a grade each year as stated in the contract with State Charter School Commission.

L. Cox seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Lewis	Aye
T. Williamson	Aye
L. Cox	Aye
E. Lamboy	Aye
T. Lindsey	Aye
J. Taylor	Aye
W. Salter	Absent
C. Potts	Aye
J. Kinsey	Aye

**VI. Closing Items**

**A. Closing Crew**

The opening Crew quote was read again by Judy Taylor.

**B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
J. Taylor