

# The Neighborhood Charter Network

# **Minutes**

# **November Board Meeting 2022**

#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday November 8, 2022 at 3:30 PM

#### Location

**Enlace Academy** 

The Neighborhood Charter Network is hosting a board meeting on the third Thursday of each month.

# Public comment sign up:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1J47Tr-yiUsVpogE6UVbNWRN0DVUAKDTbhQUHyBajob4/edit#gid=0

#### **Public Comment:**

- Speakers are allowed two (2) minutes to offer comments to the board.
- A timer will start when you begin; please briefly conclude your remarks when you hear the timer go off.
- Comments should be directed to the board collectively, should not be abusive or disruptive, and should not address a topic that might be of a confidential nature or that would compromise the impartiality of the board.
- While the board is happy to receive your comments, we will not respond or answer questions.

#### **Directors Present**

B. Delk (remote), C. Byczko (remote), D. Casey (remote), K. Britt (remote), P. Castaneda (remote), R. Hall (remote)

#### **Directors Absent**

M. Dezelan, R. Zavaleta, T. Baker

#### **Guests Present**

Carlota Holder (remote), D. Castellanos (remote), Joan Servaas (remote), K. Dulay (remote), K. Kubacki (remote), Megan Singh (remote), S. Campos (remote)

# I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

# B. Call the Meeting to Order

P. Castaneda called a meeting of the board of directors of The Neighborhood Charter Network to order on Tuesday Nov 8, 2022 at 3:35 PM.

# C. Approve Minutes

Quorum not met.

#### **II. Finance Committee**

### A. Financial Updates

- The October 2022 financials were uploaded for the board to review.
- Brandon Delk presented the Emergency Rental Assistance Program. Which is a short-term rental assistance funding that is provided to low-income tenants. The grant is given for a term of one month or 3 months depending on the situation.
- Brandon discussed the CD cycle for 6, 12, 18, or 24 months. The Finance
  Committee's goal is to get a summary of what cash should be in each bucket. The
  cycle of cash for the organization. A safe way to invest without tying our cash. A
  board resolution would be presented for an investment strategy. The finance
  committee will bring a recommendation to the board.
- He reported that Katie and Brian used a budget tool for conservative budget projections and different possibilities. The tool used was very useful and will be brought to the board in the future.
- Kevin presented the 22-23 Core Beliefs and Learnings document to the board. There is a need for leadership pipelines and teacher pipelines.

#### **III. Academic Committee**

#### A. Mission Moment

# **Family Engagement**

Kevin reported that Enlace has been working diligently on getting parents engaged. Stephanie has been great at building relationships with families. The focus has been on attendance and high report card parent meeting participation.

- As a school, the collective goal is that 80% of families meet their engagement points. Megan was hired to lead adult EL courses. on Saturday mornings. The program consists of 13 class meetings and childcare is provided. CASAS has been utilized for pre-and post-tests to assess reading and listening skills.
- Carlota shared a success story of one of our 1st-grade student. She started on the phonics inventory as a level 9 and now is at level 18. Mom and dad show up every Saturday to the EL classes.
- The next steps will be developing and implementing a process to screen for literacy needs.
  - Opening additional classes at different times so that more families can be reached.
  - Designing a structured approach for learning opportunities for children who attend
  - Keeping in mind people from the community have shown interest.

#### IV. Governance Committee

# A. Governance Updates

We have a new FanApp connection. Hub of the community we serve.

We want to engage local artists to paint a mural at Enlace. That would represent the International Marketplace. If anyone has local artist connections please send them to Kevin. Patricia will reach out to Eduardo Luna. Arte Mexicano is his 501 (c) 3.

### V. Closing Items

#### A. Upcoming Dates

# B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

P. Castaneda