



# The Neighborhood Charter Network

# **Minutes**

# NCN January Board Meeting

### **Date and Time**

Tuesday January 9, 2024 at 3:00 PM

#### Location

**Enlace Media Center** 

The Neighborhood Charter Network is hosting a board meeting on the second Tuesday of every other month.

# Public comment sign up:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15VVz3ERFJWi9gwMakDFqTWNnKYj80LU8j6dqfQb2V9w/edit#gid=142841103

#### **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**

- A. Segarra-Hansen, B. Delk (remote), C. Byczko (remote), J. Servaas, J. VanDeWalle, K. Britt,
- P. Castaneda, R. Hall (remote), R. Zavaleta (remote)

#### **Directors Absent**

None

#### **Guests Present**

B. Anderson (remote), D. Castellanos (remote), Dorothy Wedelka, Emma Kersey, Hailey Butchart, Hailey Pollard, K. Dulay, Mark Mosias

# I. Opening Items

### A. Record Attendance

# B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Servaas called a meeting of the board of directors of The Neighborhood Charter Network to order on Tuesday Jan 9, 2024 at 3:17 PM.

No public comment request was made.

# C. Approve Minutes

- R. Zavaleta made a motion to approve the minutes from NCN November Board Meeting on 11-14-23.
- A. Segarra-Hansen seconded the motion.

The motion approved the November and December board meeting minutes.

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

## **Roll Call**

K. Britt Aye R. Hall Abstain R. Zavaleta Aye P. Castaneda Abstain A. Segarra-Hansen Aye J. Servaas Aye B. Delk Aye J. VanDeWalle Aye C. Byczko Aye

## **II. Community Outreach**

#### A. Mission Moment

Katie reported that the social workers started a food pantry at Enlace Academy.

· Hailey reported that many families at Enlace faced food insecurity.

- The social work team applied for grants and was awarded a 10k grant per year.
- The humanitarian Grant also provides food and toiletries.
- The Gleaners Food Bank approved us for \$350 per month for food and toiletries.
- One of Dorothy's friends donated a food freezer to store the food.
- The food pantry is open on Thursdays from 11 am to 1 pm.
- Enlace is also supporting families in need of food at school 96.
- So far 363 families have been supported by the food pantry.
- The food pantry has a high need for toiletries.

Katie reported that Cathedral hosted Enlace at Christmas on the Hill.

- Each Enlace student was partnered with a Cathedral senior.
- · Students had fun and received gifts.
- Overall, it was a wonderful event and a reflection of the strong partnership.

#### III. Finance

### A. Finance updates

- Brian reported that there aren't a lot of changes as far as finances. He provided the board with finance summaries through November.
- Katie, Denise, and Brian will kick off the 24-25 budget cycle this month.
- 476k over revenue due to exceeding projections. Investment income is higher yielding. Finances overall are in great shape.

#### IV. Governance

# A. Board Elections

Katie went over the NCN By-Laws regarding elections and board terms. She provided board members with a summary of their year-to-date terms. Terry Baker has now rolled off as president.

The recommendation for the 2024 Board Elections

President - Joan SerVaas

Vice-President - Jamie VanDeWalle

Secretary - Rob Hall

Board Treasurer - Brandon Delk

- R. Zavaleta made a motion to approve the recommended slate of candidates.
- K. Britt seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

J. VanDeWalle Aye A. Segarra-Hansen Aye P. Castaneda Absent R. Hall Absent K. Britt Aye R. Zavaleta Aye B. Delk Aye C. Byczko Aye J. Servaas Aye

#### V. Academic Excellence

### A. Academic Updates

- Katie reported that in August a board dashboard was shared which included an iRead goal that was consistent with the OEI goal to increase iRead by 10%. The iLearn goal was to increase by adjusting iLearn to a 5% increase in combined proficiency. 10% in math and ELA. Other goals have stayed consistent from years past.
- Financial goals are all met. We are close to hitting the 95% attendance goal.
- The work continues to be academic outcomes, we are at 50%. Our goal as an organization is 70% or higher. Focusing heavily on iRead. 37% and projected to 40%
- ELA and Math have seen a nearly 10% growth.
- A foundational literacy update we have been working with Marian University for the Science of Reading. For the past years, we have been measuring it with phonics inventory. Part of a cohort, coaching, and development alongside the work.

# VI. Closing Items

# A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:31 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Servaas