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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

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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

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