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The Neighborhood Charter Network

Minutes

NCN May Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday May 14, 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, C. Byczko (remote), J. Servaas, J. VanDeWalle, K. Britt, R. Zavaleta

Directors Absent
P. Castaneda, R. Hall

Guests Present
B. Anderson, Bill Storey, D. Castellanos, Emma Kersey, K. Dulay, Megan Singh

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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 May 14, 2024 at 3:04 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

B. Delk made a motion to approve the minutes from NCN March Board Meeting on 03-12-24.
R. Zavaleta seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

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

II. Academic Excellence

A. Academic Updates

Mission Moment

- In January, our staff spoke to 8th grade students regarding their high school options. This was to raise awareness and help them with making a final high school decision.

- Valeria has been at Enlace for 8 years and has been accepted to Providence Cristo Rey. She is looking forward to the work study program. Enlace helped her gain courage and to not be afraid to speak up. After high school she would like to pursue a veterinarian career.
- Kimberly has been at Enlace for 2 years and has been accepted to Providence Cristo Rey. She is also looking forward to the work study program. She likes that it is a catholic school as well. Ms. Hailey helped her gather schools that were good for her based on her personal interests. Enlace has challenged her to stand up for what she wants and she also played volleyball. She would like to pursue a dentistry career.
- Maria has been at Enlace for 4 years and has been accepted to Cathedral High School. She chose Cathedral because they have a great academic program and business courses. The high school committee helped her see what the options were but also to speak up and gain confidence. She would like to pursue a career in business or entrepreneurship.
- Nerio has been at Enlace for 5 years and he will be attending Shortridge High School. Enlace has helped him understand how things work outside of the school. He would like to pursue a career in soccer or law enforcement.

Academic Updates

- Katie shared that Enlace has just completed WIDA, NWEA, and iLearn so the data is very fresh. She shared the EOY Dashboard and presented the growth goal results for ELA and Math.
  - Continue to have strong parent engagement. 86.5 of our families attended their parent/teacher conferences. Our goal was 80%.
  - 43% of our students met their goal in ELA and 51% of our students met their goal in Math
  - The iRead exam results are pending. Students will be attending summer school and will be re-taking the test during the summer.
  - 9% of our students are proficient in ELA, 9% of our students are proficient in Math.
  - Attendance is at 94.3%, the goal is 95%
  - Our suspension rate is at 12.8%. The goal is less than 12%. This is a large focus area for next year.
  - Enlace retained 88.40% of positions from Fall to Spring.
  - Enlace met all of the financial metrics.
  - Enlace saw an increase in 3rd and 8th grade based on the previous year performance and cohort performance; however, 5th grade saw a significant drop in cohort data.
- For Next School Year:
  - Next Gen SIG will fund new ML teachers.
  - Revamping the McKinney-Vento Committee
  - Piloting an age-appropriate, culturally

    - Adding a 6-8 counselor
    - A new bilingual assistant school leader
    - Progress monitoring -IReady & ILearn Checkpoints
    - Expanded Literacy Focus: Wit& Wisdom & AIM PD
    - Revised schedule: Departmentalization for 5th grade.
    - NCFL Partnership
- Family Literacy at a Glance
    - Megan interned through the Immigration Welcome Center. Family literacy is not currently existing in Indiana.
    - Improve our current parent literacy model. Enlace was already implementing a lot of things that NCFL recommends such as adult education, parent time, PACT time, and child education.

III. Finance

A. Finance updates

Brian reported on the April financials and that Enlace is in a strong financial position. This is due to being over in the investment revenue along with a new grant. Expenditures are over due to additional grant money however, there is a significant surplus. Received the Charter Capital grant of 451k in April deferred revenue and will be part of next year's budget. As far as the indicators, we have exceeded all the targets that OEI has given.

Legislative Update

- HEA 1001-2023 required sharing of the incremental growth in local property tax dollars with charter school students starring in FY25 in Marion.
- Enlace is a unique position and could be close to a wash. Enlace will most likely will not receive the transportation pass-through from IPS at renewal.

Jamie reported an update on the IPS Innovation

- Jamie met with Brian Dickey, to talk about the pricing policy. The Kipp agreement went to the IPS board on the same day. There is a possibility that Enlace could also follow the same as the Kipp agreement at the end of the IPS agreement.

IV. Governance

A. Reporting

OEI End of Year Assessment

- Board assurance are due May 30th
- 23-24 Board Assessment is due June 15th
- The 23-24 CEO Evaluation is due July 12th.

V. 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 4:36 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Servaas