

Next Generation Charter Schools

Minutes

Governance Committee Meeting

MidYear Eval & Strategic Goals

Date and Time

Monday February 22, 2021 at 2:00 PM

Location

<https://metlcs.zoom.us/j/92201485846?pwd=SIA5cE9MMFVlbkQ1dU9kQVJsWFVLUT09>
Meeting ID: 922 0148 5846
Passcode: 877423

Mission

We prepare our students for college through a rigorous arts-infused program.

Vision

All students will be taught by a highly effective teacher in a nurturing environment and will achieve at high levels. Each student will develop the knowledge, skills and values necessary for responsible citizenship and life-long learning. The impact of our collective efforts will fundamentally change public education.

Committee Members Present

A. Bothner (remote), A. Khanyile (remote), E. Chen (remote), J. Boulet (remote), K. Brisseau (remote), S. Pressley (remote)

Committee Members Absent

A. Khatiwada, C. Barnes-Watson, K. Shabazz

I. Opening Items**A. Record Attendance****B. Call the Meeting to Order**

J. Boulet called a meeting of the Governance Committee of Next Generation Charter Schools to order on Monday Feb 22, 2021 at 2:06 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

J. Boulet made a motion to approve the minutes from Governance Committee Meeting on 01-18-21.

E. Chen seconded the motion.

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

II. Board & School Policies

A. Professional Development Day Review

- Positive experiences with DEI, opportunities to reflect, helpful BoT presentation, getting to know one another a bit more
- For DEI, would have been helpful to reflect on our performance as a board, have some wrap-up around what the session meant for us going forward
- Discussed BoT, will ask for a follow-up session
- OML very helpful review
- Would be great to have additional comparisons from other charter schools. Would be great to talk to Pasek Consulting about our Board operations, Committees, vendor relations, etc. Perhaps this can be added to the branding discussion?

B. Executive Session Proposed: Principal evaluation

Voted to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel matters related to the midyear review of school leadership at 2:45 pm.

Voted to exit ES at 3:35 pm

C. Look Ahead

Investment policy review is for this month --> will be led by Finance Committee, Governance Comm will give secondary review.

D. Board self-assessment review

- Reviewed ideas from BoT self-assessment in the areas of finance (training board members), ed committee, committee governance, board governance
- CEO/ED Board management and development: this is an issue to be discussed going forward with Malik; Aaron will provide an update on current process at the full Board meeting
- Review trustee job description & individual trustee annual goals --> ask Melissa to add this to the Board cadence calendar for June; discuss individual trustee goal-setting and eval at next governance meeting

- Are we evaluating our board meeting effectiveness regularly? This may be a conversation to have with Malik as well. Idea of putting in a quick pulse-check (e.g., 2 Q survey) at end. Aaron will be in touch as that conversation evolves

III. Strategic Goals

A. Finance Committee update

Because of time constraints, Committee updates will be given as part of the Quarterly Updates on Strategic Goals at the full board meeting. JB will have these updates added to the agenda.

B. External Relations committee update

C. Education Committee update

D. Diversity Equity and Inclusion work

E. Accountability & Planning

- Feel like we're making some progress, but still just getting started. need to make sure we are happy with it as things move forward (perhaps still a bit early to tell given how much other stuff is on our plate)
- Aaron reflected that each committee chair has been stepping up and becoming more effective in their own committees, and that he will be evaluating his role in the Gov Comm as well, to the extent it's helpful for the chair to be involved in the Committee and with each Committee chair

IV. 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 3:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Boulet