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# Nuasin Next Generation Charter School

## Minutes

### Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Wednesday November 17, 2021 at 5:30 PM

#### Location

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://metlcs.zoom.us/j/99734620211?pwd=TjJIRHJjdDZrSWZlQlFwcmxZYkt2UT09>

Meeting ID: 997 3462 0211

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#### Mission

At Nuasin Next Generation, we believe in the unlimited talent and intellectual potential of our scholars and our community. We cultivate this talent and intellectual potential through a progressive education that focuses on deep exploration, thoughtful questioning, relentless curiosity and critical thinking. Nuasin Next Generation Charter School implements a progressive K-12 educational program and an unyielding commitment to cultivating our scholars' innate intellectual talents to empower our graduates to achieve excellence in their postsecondary paths and make positive impacts on the broader community. Every single one of our scholars have the potential to be great and change the world, at Nuasin Next Generation we prepare our scholars for that opportunity.

#### 3 Pillars

The Mission of Nuasin Next Generation stands firmly on the foundation of our three pillars: Rigor, Self-Advocacy, and Community. These three pillars are the guiding principles for our school and culture. Please find a deeper explanation of our pillars below.

#### Rigor:

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We use the word “rigor” not in the stringent or inflexible sense, but in the sense of an unyielding need to challenge and push our scholars because we understand and believe in the potential, talent, and ability of our scholars and community. We challenge our scholars to build their confidence and help them realize what they can achieve.

**Self-Advocacy:**

Our scholars are empowered to advocate for themselves, their families, and their communities.

As our scholars come to understand that their voices are valued and needed, they learn to advocate for themselves. Our scholars are seen and valued; they understand that not only do they have the right to express their opinions, views, and perspectives, but it is their obligation to do so.

**Community:**

Our scholars will embrace community and understand that as a member of a community you have certain

inalienable rights, the right to be seen, the right to be heard, the right to be protected and the right to be loved and

cherished. Our scholars will also learn of their obligations. As a member of a community you have the obligation to

respect, listen, support and only want and assume the best in all others. Every member of our community must understand that they are active participants in the Nuasin community and the community goes as we go.

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**Trustees Present**

A. Bothner (remote), A. Khanyile (remote), A. Khatiwada (remote), C. Barnes-Watson (remote), E. Chen (remote), J. Boulet (remote), K. Brisseau (remote), K. Shabazz (remote), M. Dorrie (remote), S. Pressley (remote)

**Trustees Absent**

S. Huda, T. Bryan

**Trustees who arrived after the meeting opened**

A. Bothner, C. Barnes-Watson, M. Dorrie

**Ex Officio Members Present**

M. Russell (remote)

**Non Voting Members Present**

M. Russell (remote)

**Guests Present**

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E. Mew (remote), K. Davidson (remote), K. Perez (remote), L. Hart (remote), M. Alston (remote)

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## I. Opening Items

### A. Record Attendance and Guests

### B. Call the Meeting to Order

A. Khatiwada called a meeting of the board of trustees of Nuasin Next Generation Charter School to order on Wednesday Nov 17, 2021 at 5:50 PM.

### C. Review the Agenda

M. Russell reviewed the agenda with the board.

### D. Nuasin Mission/3 Pillar Reflection

K. Shabazz shared his reflection on the community pillar.

## II. School Update

### A. Executive Director Update

M. Russell gave his ED updates for the month.

- Renewal Update-The parent meeting was postponed to December 6, 2021. On Tues, we had our in person meet with the authorizer. We also had staff virtual interviews and a board interview will take place tonight at 8pm.
- Attendance- LS has 92% and HS 87.5%. On a daily basis we have about 92% of staff present.
- SAT/PSAT- 100% of our scholars have taken at least the SAT and PSAT.

M. Dorrie arrived at 5:59 PM.

### B. K-8 Principal Update

C. Barnes-Watson arrived at 6:25 PM.

### C. Operations Update

M. Alston gave her monthly updates on the dashboard.

### D. Staff Resumes

A. Khatiwada made a motion to approve resumes presented to the board.

E. Chen seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

T. Bryan	Absent
K. Brisseau	Aye
E. Chen	Aye
M. Dorrie	Aye
A. Bothner	Absent
C. Barnes-Watson	Absent
K. Shabazz	Aye
J. Boulet	Aye
A. Khatiwada	Aye
S. Pressley	Aye
S. Huda	Absent
A. Khanyile	Aye

**III. Finance Committee Updates**

**A. General Updates**

S. Pressley did not have any general updates for this month.

**B. October Financials**

S. Pressley made a motion to approve the October financials as presented.

E. Chen seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

S. Pressley	Aye
A. Bothner	Absent
E. Chen	Aye
J. Boulet	Aye
C. Barnes-Watson	Aye
M. Dorrie	Aye
K. Shabazz	Aye
A. Khanyile	Aye
T. Bryan	Absent
S. Huda	Absent
A. Khatiwada	Aye
K. Brisseau	Aye

**IV. Board Governance**

**A. Approve October 2021 Board Meeting Minutes**

J. Boulet made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 10-21-21.

E. Chen seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

K. Brisseau	Aye
M. Dorrie	Aye
A. Khanyile	Aye
A. Khatiwada	Aye
E. Chen	Aye
J. Boulet	Aye
T. Bryan	Absent
A. Bothner	Absent
K. Shabazz	Aye
S. Pressley	Aye
S. Huda	Absent
C. Barnes-Watson	Aye

**B. Trustee Individual Goal Setting**

**C. Open Meeting Law Audit**

A. Bothner arrived at 7:30 PM.

**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 7:33 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
A. Khatiwada