

# BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Type of Meeting: Board Meeting

Facilitator: Mr. Wilson Carter

Note Taker: Granada Kendrick/Stacey (Adams) Love

Date: November 12, 2016

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- Call to Order 10:57 a.m.
- Roll Call: Erica McGinnis, Stacey (Adams) Love, Dr. Gloria Foward, Carter Wilson, Alphonsa Foward, Granada Kendrick, Dr. Angela Lewis Hawkins (via phone). Celeste Anderson and Ada Parker-Excused
- Review of Minutes from Board Meeting:
  1. Executive Meeting (Audit Review) - September 10, 2016
  2. Board Meeting – July 23, 2016
- Motion to approve both Meeting Minutes as read was made by Dr. Gloria Forward  
Motion seconded by Stacey Adams-Love  
Motion was approved.
- Mr. Carter made a motion to amend the agenda to add Review of 990.  
Motion seconded by Stacey.  
Motion Approved
- Approval of Audit with Jeff Brown  
Motion to approve the Audit was made by Stacey.  
Motion was seconded by Carter.  
The motion was approved.
- Approval of Final copy of 990.  
Motion was made to approve the final copy of 990.  
Questions: No Questions were voiced.  
Motion was made by Carter to approve final copy of the 990.  
Stacy seconded the motion.  
Motion was approved.
- Financial Report from School Treasurer  
Erica McGinnis reviewed the Financial Report with the Board members.  
She clarified the difference between Quick Books and Fund Easy reporting.  
She reported that the Balance Sheet shows that we are strong in our assets. \$28,000 over budget.

Carter motioned that the Financial Report be approved as read/reviewed.  
Dr. Hawkins seconded the motion.  
Motion was approved.

- **AdvancED Conclusion and Results Summary**

Mr. Forward reviewed with a power point presentation. Every 5 years, we have a dual opportunity and that is going through Charter Renewal and AdvancED accreditation renewal. This was held on October 17 & 18, 2016. All being said, New Life Academy of Excellence has earned the distinction of accreditation renewal.

- **Academics & Board Docs Presentation**

1. Historical School Milestones EOG Results for GCPS – New Life Academy
2. Request for the Board to support in Academic Growth on a monthly basis.
3. NLAE is now working to initiate a Federal School Nutrition Program to bring equality to school reporting academic growth. Then looking to start Free & Reduced Lunch Program.
4. Assessment Goal would be to achieve High Achievement/Higher Growth in every grade level.

- **Curriculum & Instruction**

- Pretest Data, Post Data, GCPS Population % Grades K-8th
  1. Student Performance Growth
  2. District Assessments Quarterly (1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grades) Semester (6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grades)
  3. Benchmark Monthly

- **Updates**

- Completed & submitted our Annual Report for Georgia Department of Education Charter School Division.
- The Annual Audit has been completed.
- NLAE is now reaccruited.
- The request from the City of Duluth to replant trees to create a barrier between our school and our neighbor is completed and clearance has been issued.
- To increase CCRPI & Student Achievement, we have incorporated Guided Reading.
- For personalized climate, we have incorporated Power Over Prejudice and an Anti-Bullying Program.
- Financially, NLAE is fully functioning in GASB.
- Choose of Uniform Vendors are now – Parker's Uniforms, Uniform Source and SWCC Gently Used Uniform Sales.
- NLAE was approved for a 5 year Charter Renewal from Gwinnett County Public Schools and we are collaborating with the State for approval from the State level.
- Our 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade took a field trip to Kennesaw State to the Holocaust Museum.
- To support CCRPI for the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade, that grade level toured University of Georgia.

- The Georgia Board of Education suggested that we join an organization that supports charter schools. NLAE will become a member of the Georgia Charter School Association.
- The meeting adjourned at 2:02 p.m.