

MEETINGMINUTES

Name of Foundation: North Carolina Charter Educational Foundation, Inc.
Board Meeting: May 1, 2019
Schools: Langtree Charter Academy
Cabarrus Charter Academy
Iredell Charter Academy
Concord Lake STEAM Academy

Attended by:	
Board Members: Ivonne Reed Wayne Turner Jessica Rainstein Beth Allen Beth Compton Patrick Griffin Martin Conway	Other Attendees: Chuck Nusinov, State Director Sandy Castro, Deputy State Director Donna Rascoe, Esq., Board Attorney Christopher Scholl, Principal - Langtree Upper School Andrea Lopresti, Principal – Iredell Charter Academy Jennifer Wilson, Principal-in Training- Iredell Charter Academy Shane Lis, Principal – Langtree Charter Academy Gabr’l Stackhouse, Principal – Kannapolis Charter Academy Drew Hammill, Assistant Principal – Cabarrus Charter Academy Ava Alexander, Regional Financial Analyst, CSUSA Oscar Hidalgo, Regional Financial Analyst, CSUSA Renee Michels-Ford – Carolina State Finance Director Myrna Laine-Hyppolite – VP Finance, CSUSA
Location: Iredell Charter Academy	

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Pursuant to public notice, the North Carolina Charter Educational Foundation board meeting commenced at 4:02 p.m. with a Call to Order by board President Wayne Turner. Roll call was taken and quorum established.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

- **Approval of Agenda**

MOTION: Motion was made by Wayne Turner and seconded by Beth Allen to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of closed session for personnel and legal matters as the last agenda item. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Annual Meeting and Election of Officers**

MOTION: Motion was made by Beth Compton and seconded by Ivonne Reed to elect Wayne Turner as President. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Motion was made by Beth Allen and seconded by Ivonne Reed to elect Beth Compton as Vice President and Secretary. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Motion was made by Beth Compton and seconded by Ivonne Reed to appoint Beth Allen as Treasurer. Motion passed unanimously.

II. FINANCIAL REPORT

- **March Financials**

Ms. Alexander presented the financials for the period ending March 31, 2019.

MOTION: Motion was made by Beth Allen and seconded by Jessica Rainstein to approve the financials as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Annual Audit Engagement Letters**

The board reviewed the annual audit engagement letter provided by Keefe, McCullough & Co., CPAs.

MOTION: Motion was made by Beth Allen and seconded by Jessica Rainstein to approve the letter as presented with the addition of the required “no indebtedness” clause. Motion passed unanimously.

III. School Reports

- **Concord Lake Steam Academy**

496 are shown as fully enrolled for next year. Looking to exceed goal once all paperwork turned in. Everyone is embracing the new school name and focus. Yard sale is scheduled for this Sat to raise money for the school. Countdown to EOG and preparing for EOG testing. Saturday tutoring starts this Saturday and for next 3 weeks. Field Day is scheduled after EOG to motivate students to do well on testing. No 8th graders trip planned as it was too expensive but going to park for picnic and to Carowinds. 8th grade social is on May 17th. No further fundraising requests will be presented this year.

- **Langtree Charter Academy (Upper & Lower)**

The school family supported Tyler’s Lion in over 700 people march for MS. Teacher appreciation at Lower Campus was great. Upper School is planning teacher appreciation activities for next week. Spring Fling raised over \$16K in one day in a few hours. The school engaged the community in a fun and safe atmosphere to bring people together. Students are engaging with community partners to train service dogs and read to the dogs. Before break, invention convention is planned for 5th and 6th grade. Easter egg hunt planned for Kindergarten. Gearing up for spring days, coral and band performances, and end of year testing. Next Tues Juniors and Seniors will share their Capstone projects. Students are preparing for testing. Cambridge Testing (11th and 12th) next week. EOG start on 5/17.

- **Cabarrus Charter Academy (Upper & Lower)**

School is in full testing season, preparing for testing and planning for end of year plans. 8th graders went on DC trip; spring concert was held with over 300 attendees. Working on Thinking Maps for students and teachers. First Drama performance of “Mighty Hercules” was held at CABA Upper 8th grade – high school kids. First year teacher, Witherspoon was awarded by Power 98 celebration on radio on Tues morning. The Summer will focus on Advit training and focus on 6-12 grades. Graduation is Sat, 6/8 at UNCC Uptown at 10 AM in the morning. CABA will be participating in Jiggy with the Piggy community event in Kannapolis.

- **Iredell Charter Academy**

NWEA and NC check ins have been completed. Gearing up for testing crunch plans, K-2 M-class testing. Focus on growth and proficiencies. Weekly Tutoring and Boot camp is ongoing. Moving up ceremonies for Kinder, and 8th graders planned. Laying out bricks for 8th graders moving on. Plant tree for remembrance of student on 5/28. Several students plan to come from Langtree Upper School to talk to ICA students about the high school. Cambridge meeting has been scheduled. Peter Pan play was performed; adding French and Spanish and more theater arts next year. Spring Concert and Art show are scheduled. Plans are being formed to plan a Paris trip next year.

IV. Old Business

Board members discussed possible dates for strategic planning follow up meeting, possible the week of

June 10 – 14. No decision was made.

V. New Business

Board members would like to see the schools plan to have counselors come in to help with trauma support next year and to help teachers identify signs. CSUSA is looking at way to support schools for a system to deploy and support teachers for early warning. Mr. Nusinov reported that the Nick Vujicic program will be rolled out at PI this year. Nick is working with CSUSA to write curriculum for social emotional character. Wayne Turner would like this rolled out to schools and to the community. Patrick Griffin offered to help with the program through his employer, Atrium Health.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jay Hager (teacher at Langtree) addressed the board to express his interest in having teachers attend board meetings to stay connected. Board thanked him for comments.

II. PERSONNEL UPDATES

MOTION: Motion was made by Beth Compton seconded by Ivonne Reed to go into closed session to discuss confidential attorney-client and personnel matters pursuant to G.S. 115C-218.25. The motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken in closed session.

MOTION: Motion was made by Beth Allen and seconded by Beth Compton to return to open session. Motion passed unanimously.


MOTION: Motion was made by Wayne Turner and seconded by Beth Compton to approve the hiring of Laura Cardaropoli at Langtree Upper School and Kelly Beaver at Langtree Lower Campus. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Motion was made by Beth Compton and seconded by Beth Allen to approve the termination of Jacklyn Dillard at Langtree Lower Campus. Motion passed 6-1 with Wayne Turner abstaining.

III. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion was made by Beth Compton and seconded by Beth Allen to adjourn the North Carolina Charter Educational Foundation board meeting. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 22, 2019 at Concord Lake Steam Academy.



Beth Compton, Board Secretary

Date: 10/7/19