

MEETING HELD AT:

Iredell Charter Academy
 251 Home Improvement Street
 Troutman, NC 28166

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

	PRESENT	NOT PRESENT	TERM EXPIRATION DATE
Wayne Turner President	X		5/1/21
Beth Compton Vice-President & Secretary	X		5/1/21
Beth Allen Treasurer	X		5/1/21
Martin Conway Director	X		12/1/21
Mark Frazier Director	X		9/1/22
Patrick Griffin Director		X	12/1/21
Jessica Rainstein Director	X		5/1/21

NON-BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDING:

1. Shauna Bell, Governing Board Manager – CSUSA
2. Ann Cesena, Associate Principal – Langtree Charter Academy – Upper Campus
3. Boyd George, Instructional Lead – Cabarrus Charter Academy
4. Missy Hartsell, PTC – Langtree Charter Academy
5. Shane Lis, Principal – Langtree Charter Academy
6. Andrea Lopresti, Principal – Iredell Charter Academy
7. Q. Shante’ Martin, Board Attorney, Cranfill, Sumner and Hartzog
8. Gina Merrell, Grants Administrator - CSUSA
9. Renee Michels-Ford, Carolina State Finance Director - CSUSA
10. Sheena Miracle, Principal - Cabarrus Charter Academy
11. Chuck Nusinov, State Director – CSUSA
12. Elizabeth Padgett, Associate Principal – Langtree Charter Academy – Lower Campus
13. Donna Rascoe, Esq., Board Attorney - Cranfill, Sumner and Hartzog
14. Michael Silver, Assistant Principal – Langtree Lower
15. Gabr’l Stackhouse, Principal – Concord Lake STEAM Academy
16. Alexandria Tallent, Teacher – Concord Lake STEAM Academy
17. Michelle Varoutsos, Assistant Principal – Concord Lake STEAM Academy
18. Jennifer Wilson, Principal in training – Iredell Charter Academy
19. Bobbie Wessel, PTC – Langtree Charter Academy

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

- **CALL TO ORDER**
 Pursuant to public notice, Board President, Wayne Turner, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
- **ROLL CALL**
 Roll call was held and quorum was established.

- APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION: Motion was made by Jessica Rainstein and seconded by Beth Compton to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

AMENDMENT:

- Add Board personnel changes to Administrative
- Add discussion about legal matters in Old Business

- BOARD PERSONNEL CHANGES

Wayne Turner informed the Board that Ivonne Reed has stepped down from the Board as of Monday, September 16, 2019. Mr. Patrick Griffin has taken a job out of state but will continue with the Board via phone due to his travel schedule.

- APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 28, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: Motion was made by and seconded by to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2019 meeting pending edits recommended by Donna Rascoe. Motion passed unanimously.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Students from Iredell were present to speak about their experiences in extra-curricular activities.
- Missy Hartsell, from Langtree PTC provided an update on the fall fundraisers for Langtree. An October calendar of events was presented.

III. CSUSA REPORTS

- Chuck Nusinov provided an overview of the 2018-19 School performance report from CSUSA. Noted that last year was first year there was a push to get all students to test tested on line. Math scores were re-normed by the state and unlike previous years, students were not allowed to re-test in Math.
 - Andrea Lopresti spoke about the performance grades at Iredell Charter Academy. Principal Lopresti identified root causes for the performance as: Discipline, Social Emotional, EC and Attendance. Corrective action for this year includes a focus on attendance, additional focus on data with regards to academics and the implementation of AVID for additional support.
 - Gabr'l Stackhouse spoke about the performance grades at Concord Lake STEAM Academy. Proficiency and growth decreased in every grade and subject, except Science. Principal Stackhouse identified root causes for the performance as: high staff turnover, attendance, and significant change in culture within the school. Corrective actions for this year include the implementation of Kickboard, which focuses on positive v/s

negative behavior, standards-based teaching, and implementing re-looping of students.

- Sheena Miracle spoke about the performance grades at Cabarrus Charter Academy. Most teaches at the Upper school exceeded growth as teaching remains strong and strategic. Principal Miracle stated that there was an intense focus on the culture of the building and more focus will be put to tracking data. Additional corrective actions include an increase focus on rigor, standards-based teaching for all students and building around a whole-child philosophy.
- Shane Lis spoke about the performance grades at Langtree Charter Academy. Reading in grades 3-8 decreased. Principal Lis spoke about the increase in the number of students that middle school teachers saw. Corrective actions include changes to the master schedule, focus on Math, vertical planning, changes in expectations, and data-driven decisions.

IV. PRINCIPAL REPORTS

All fundraising approvals were moved to the Strategic Planning meeting scheduled for Monday, September 30, 2019.

V. FINANCIAL REPORT

- YTD FINANCIALS ENDING AUGUST 31, 2019

Renee Michels-Ford provided a financial update. There was concern with the Board that numbers presented were not accurate. Board president, Wayne Turner stated that there will be no cuts in the educational program and that teachers should be the last thing to be cut to accommodate any financial gaps within budgets.

VI. BOARD MATTERS

- OLD BUSINESS

- Strategic planning session is scheduled for Monday, September 30, 2019. Chuck Nusinov and Shauna Bell will facilitate the session.

- NEW BUSINESS

- Parent and Family Engagement
Gina Merrell spoke about the updated guidelines included in the Parent and Family engagement policy.

MOTION: Motion was made by Beth Compton and seconded by Martin Conway to approve the updated Parent and Family Engagement policy. Motion passed unanimously.

VII. CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Motion was made by and seconded by to go into closed session for legal and personnel matters pursuant to G.S. 115C-218.25. Closed session began at 7:03 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken in closed session.

MOTION: Motion was made by Beth Compton and seconded by Beth Allen to return to open session. The Board returned to open session at 8:06 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. PERSONNEL UPDATES

MOTION: Motion was made by Beth Allen and seconded by Martin Conway to hire the following teachers:
Concord Lake STEAM Academy – Sylvia Barbee-Walker, Cabarrus Upper – Carlton Bledsoe; Cabarrus Lower – Jennifer Famoso. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion was made by Beth Allen and seconded by Beth Compton to adjourn the meeting of the North Carolina Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, October 25, 2019 @ 4:00 p.m.
Iredell Charter Academy


Beth Compton, Board Secretary

2/5/2020

Date