

MEETING HELD AT:

Concord Lake STEAM Academy
 1911 Concord Lake Road
 Kannapolis, NC 28083

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. Destiny Cay, Parent – CLSA
3. Cindy Calvert – Keefe-McCullough
4. Charles Geddings, Senior Financial Analyst – CSUSA
5. Melanie Hall, Parent – CLSA
6. Shane Lis, Principal – Langtree 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. Donna Rascoe, Esq., Board Attorney - Cranfill, Sumner and Hartzog
13. Gabr’l Stackhouse, Principal – Concord Lake STEAM Academy
14. Jennifer Wilson, Principal in training – Iredell Charter Academy
15. Kathryn Wingler, Parent - CLSA

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

- **CALL TO ORDER**
 Pursuant to public notice, Board President, Wayne Turner, called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.
- **ROLL CALL**
 Roll call was held and quorum was established.
- **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
MOTION: Motion was made by Mark Frazier and seconded by Jessica Rainstein to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

AMENDMENT:

- Present financials after the audit report
- APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 25, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: Motion was made by Jessica Rainstein and seconded by Mark Frazier to approve the minutes of the September 25, 2019 meeting pending edits recommended by Donna Rascoe. Motion passed unanimously.

- APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 MEETING MINUTES
MOTION: Motion was made by Jessica Rainstein and seconded by Mark Frazier to approve the minutes of the September 30, 2019 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Destiny Cay, parent, spoke to the Board about getting teachers assistance for teachers and a School Resource Officer.
- Kathryn Wingler, a parent at CLSA, also spoke about the need for teacher assistants within classrooms to help support teachers.

III. CSUSA REPORTS

- 2019 AUDIT REPORT
Cindy Calvert reported that the financials were presented in accordance with generally accepted reporting principals. All required footnotes are in accordance with GAAP. Required communications with governance – no new accounting policies were adopted. No uncorrected misstatements, no disagreements with management or difficulties dealing with management during audit. Found that criminal history checks were not done for 6 out of the 91 hires audited. Chuck Nusinov spoke about the corrective actions that have been implemented on-going regarding criminal history checks.

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

- GRANTS UPDATE
Gina Merrell provided an update on the federal grant proposal.
- SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS
Gina Merrell provided an overview of the process necessary for the continually low performing schools.

IV. CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Motion was made by Jessica Rainstein and seconded by Mark Frazier to go into closed session pursuant to North Carolina General Statute section 143-318.11(a)(1) to discuss confidential personnel matters that are confidential pursuant to North Carolina General

Statute section 115C-218.25 and North Carolina General Statute section 115C-319. Motion passed unanimously. Closed session began at 4:58 p.m.

No action was taken in closed session.

MOTION: Motion was made by Mark Frazier and seconded by Jessica Rainstein to return to open session. The Board returned to open session at 5:19 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

V. PERSONNEL

MOTION: Motion was made by Jessica Rainstein and seconded by Mark Frazier to accept and affirm the recommendation from CSUSA to retain the principals at Concord Lake STEAM Academy, Iredell Charter Academy and Cabarrus Charter Academy and implement a remediation plan for the principal at Iredell Charter Academy. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. PRINCIPAL REPORTS

- **CONCORD LAKE STEAM ACADEMY**
Gabr'l Stackhouse provided an update on the work that is being done in the school. Teachers are participating in training while the work on school culture continues.
- **LANGTREE CHARTER ACADEMY**
Shane Lis provided a report from the PTC chairs on the direct give campaign. A total of \$52,000 was raised to engage staff and students. Projected proficiencies are down 6% - work is being done to desegregate the data. Climate at lower campus is very positive, with the focus at upper campus on academics. Requirements to be a student-athlete have increased to a 2.5 GPA – which is higher than the state standards.
- **CABARRUS CHARTER ACADEMY**
Sheena Miracle reported that final quotes have been received and can now complete the bleachers in the stadium. Implemented common planning with a focus on PLC and data at the lower campus. NWEA for grades 3-5 are higher than EOY last year.
- **IREDELL CHARTER ACADEMY**
Jennifer Wilson spoke about the focus of AVID with the teachers so that now all teachers can see the connection with each subject. NWEA data shows that the school has grown by 7 points in Math, 4 points in ELA and, 5 points in Science. There was a 16-point growth in 4th and 7th grade Math from last year to this year beginning of year NWEA data. 608 of 648 students met the attendance goal for the first quarter.

VII. FINANCIAL REPORT

- **YTD FINANCIALS ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019**
Renee Michels-Ford presented the financials for each

MOTION: Motion was made by Beth Allen and seconded by Mark Frazier to approve the September 2019 YTD actual financials. Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. BOARD BUSINESS

- **OLD BUSINESS**

- Finalize mission and vision statement

Mission statement:

Nurture independent and globally prepared children, through responsive and challenging educational practices which develop the whole child.

Vision statement:

A nationally recognized school community that develops future leaders.

- NEW BUSINESS

- Website update

Shauna Bell provided the Board with an update of the websites for each school.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion was made by Jessica Rainstein and seconded by Mark Frazier to adjourn the meeting of the North Carolina Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, December 11, 2019 @ 4:00 p.m.

Langtree Charter Academy – Upper Campus


Beth Compton, Board Secretary

Date 1/22/2020