

Neighborhood Charter School
Board of Directors Meeting
November 11, 2009

Board members present: John Wright, Elizabeth Carr, Teri Roth, Lisa Roberson, Rich Hatfield, Brooke McGhee, Keith Rouse, Jill Kaechele, Carol Keller, Beth Wells, and Maya Jenkins

Absent Board Members: Doug Blackmon, Tammie Mitchell, Melissa Devereaux, and Lamarra George

Also present: Lara Zelski, Kaki Cannon, Christian Vatararo, Laura Finch, and John Bracey.

The meeting was called to order by John at 6: 30.

John Wright Motioned postponed the approval of the minutes of the September, October, and Executive session meeting on October 23, 2009, pending editing. Lisa Seconded. Motion was approved.

John Wright motioned the approval of the agenda with the inclusion of a presentation by SouthFace. Teri Roth seconded. Motion carried.

John Wright then opened the meeting to public comment. There was none.

PRINCIPAL/ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Jill Kaechele presented. The school has received a facilities grant. Report cards have been finished. Math @688 is coming up. Six staff members attended the Coalition of Essential Schools Fall Forum. John Wright also added that the NCS movie should be finished in the next few weeks.

SOUTHFACE

John Bracey presented an audit report of Neighborhood Charter Schools' energy use (electricity, natural gas, water), and suggestions for energy savings.

K - 8 MERGER UPDATE - John Wright

John presented information about the merger with ACMS. NCS has completed an RFP to find a consultant. The merger task force (John Wright, Jill Kaechele, Michelle Blackmon, Matt Underwood, Leslie Rowe, Lisa Adler, and Mike Cuccaro, Kelly Simons) will evaluate prospective consultants. Matt Underwood and Jill Kaechele will continue to send future updates every two weeks in the Courier.

FINANCE REPORT

Keith Rouse presented the monthly budget review. Keith motioned that the board approve the purchase of three certificates of deposit; two for \$200K each, for one year; and one for \$200K for a 6 month period. Teri Roth seconded. Motion carried.

FUND DEVELOPMENT

John Wright presented for Melissa Devereaux. Due to a work conflict, Melissa formally resigned from the board.

PTCA

Lisa Roberson presented. The PTCA has purchased risers for the stage.

PARENT & FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

John Wright presented for Sherri Scott. The first PFI NCS Community Open was a great success. John Wright thanked board members Teri Roth, Beth Wells, Elizabeth Carr, and NCS Staff Kelly Dennis and Diana Bubes for attending and helping with the event.

Preparations for mid-year parent surveys are underway.

PERSONNEL

Beth Wells presented. Beth motioned that the personnel manual be approved. Rich seconded. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Action Items: John Wright presented the Strategic Plan update.

Information Items: The roof has been leaking and the roofers are working to find the cause.

The lower field is underway and we are currently waiting for inspections in order to proceed with the improvements.

John Wright motioned that the board go into executive session @ 8:07 pm. Keith seconded.

The board came out of executive session.

The meeting was adjourned at: 9pm

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Keller and John Wright