



Ohio Connections Academy (OCA) Board Meeting

Friday, October 22, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

To be held in person at 150 East Wilson Bridge Road, Suite 25, Worthington, Ohio 43085

- I. Call to Order – G. Schuster
- II. Roll Call – G. Schuster
- III. Public Comment

The Board welcomes participation by the members of the public both in-person and telephonically. To address an item on the agenda, before the scheduled start of the meeting, an individual must write their name and a short description of the agenda item on which they wish to comment on the card provided and submit this to the Chair, along with any materials they want to have distributed to Board. Individuals who wish to address the Board telephonically must contact the School Principal by phone or by email at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the Board meeting. If the individual wants to provide any written materials to the Board, these should be emailed to the School Principal at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the meeting.

The total time for any individual to present, either in person or via telephone, on an item on the agenda shall not exceed three (3) minutes, unless the Board grants additional time.

Individuals desiring to make a formal presentation to the Board on an item not on the agenda but desiring it be placed on the agenda must provide notice and written submissions detailing the subject of the presentation to the School Principal at least fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting. Any such presentation shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes in duration, unless otherwise permitted by the Chair.

To view the Board Public Comment Policy, visit the school's "About Us" page at www.connectionsacademy.com

- IV. Routine Business
 - a. Approval of Agenda – G. Schuster
- V. Update on Board Member Candidates – George Rooney and Ann Sheldon – G. Schuster
- VI. Consideration and Approval of Board Member Candidate, Tracey Berger (attached) – G. Schuster
- VII. Oral Reports
 - a. Principal's Report (MSR attached and Principal's Report attached) – R. Lambert
 - b. Financial Report (attached) – S. Millard/T. Ochs
- VIII. Consent Items
 - a. Approval of Minutes from the September 24, 2010 Meeting (attached)
 - b. Approval of Staffing Report (attached)
 - c. Approval of Bank Reconciliation (attached)
 - d. Approval of Legal Invoice (attached)
 - e. Approval of Board Designee of Board President to Assist with the Race to the Top Requirements
 - f. Approval of Renewal of Fiscal Officer Agreement (to follow)
 - g. Ratification of Revised Five Year Forecast (attached)

- h. Approval of Teachers Filling AP Select Roles with NaCA (attached)
 - i. Approval of Annual Report (attached)
 - j. Approval of Enrollment Deadline as March 18, 2011 for the 2010-2011 School Year
- IX. Action Items
- a. Approval of CA Invoice for September (attached) – S. Millard
 - b. Approval of Revised Fee Schedule for the 2010-2011 School Year (attached) – T. Ochs
 - c. Approval of School Goals for the 2010-2011 School Year (attached) – R. Lambert
 - d. Approval of Curriculum Strategy for the 2011-2012 School Year (attached) – P. Hoge
- X. Information Items
- a. Legislative Update – M. Revenaugh
 - b. Buckeye Charter School Board Association Update – G. Schuster
 - c. OCCS Representative Update – L. Schafer
- XI. Adjournment and Next Meeting Date – Friday November 19, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

CONSENT ITEMS

The Chair will ask members what items, if any, they want removed from the consent agenda for discussion. If any member asks that an item be moved, it will be moved to the Action Items. After any items have been removed, the Chair will read out the remaining consent items and ask for their adoption in one motion if there is no objection. The minutes will reflect the full text of any resolutions that were adopted as part of the consent agenda.

a. Approval of Minutes from the September 24, 2010 Meeting

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Heather Woodward

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: The minutes from the meeting of the Board of Directors are being presented for approval.

b. Approval of Staffing Report

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Ray Lambert

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: The staffing report as provided with the Board materials outlines several candidates that the Principal is recommending for hire. The staffing report includes the candidate's name, area for hire, compensation rate, bonus potential and start date and is being presented to approval. The Staffing Report also provides information on departing employees, the reasons for their departure, as well as any employees receiving promotions for Board review and approval.

c. Approval of Bank Reconciliation

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Ted Ochs

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: Ms. Millard and CA independently prepare a bank reconciliation, Board approval is requested.

d. Approval of Legal Invoice

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Ray Lambert

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: Mr. Lambert has reviewed the invoice(s) from Kate Clifford, which is being presented for Board approval for payment.

e. Approval of Board Designee of Board President to Assist with the Race to the Top Requirements

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Ray Lambert

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: The school is requesting the Board authorize the Board President to work with the school leadership team to complete all necessary requirements associated with the school receiving the Race to the Top funds previously awarded to the state of Ohio.

f. Approval of Renewal of Fiscal Officer Agreement

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Gene Schuster

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: Included in the Board materials is the proposed renewal agreement with Ms. Millard, Board Fiscal Officer. Board consideration and approval is requested.

g. Ratification of Revised Five Year Forecast

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Ted Ochs

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: The Five Year Forecast has been revised to meet the new formatting requirements of ODE. No numerical numbers have changed since the Board last approved the document in September. Board ratification is requested.

h. Approval of Teachers Filling AP Select Roles with NaCA

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Ted Ochs

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: The Board is being asked to approve the continuation of the current practice in which the school has select teachers who are able to teach AP courses to students through NaCA. The current practice is for the teacher to be provided a stipend to teach the courses so that the school is held harmless from the use of public funds. School leadership is supportive of continuing the practice and those additional students do not impede the teachers' ability to effectively serve the school's population. Board approval is requested.

i. Approval of Annual Report

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Ray Lambert

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: Included in the Board materials is the Annual Report that is due to the OCCS by the end of October each year. Board approval of the report and authorization for the Principal to submit this report to the OCCS, as well as disseminate this report to all stakeholders by the due date is being requested.

j. Approval of Enrollment Deadline as March 18, 2011 for the 2010-2011 School Year

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Ray Lambert

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: The proposed enrollment deadline date for the school is March 18, 2011 to allow for the school to complete enrollment for the 2010-2011 school year and to get enrollment up and ready for the April 1, 2011 opening of enrollment for the 2011-2012 school year. Board approval is requested.

Motion: _____ **Second:** _____
Ayes: _____ **Nays:** _____

ACTION ITEMS

a. Approval of CA Invoice for September

PRESENTER: Stephanie Millard

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: Ms. Millard will review the invoice as it relates to the financial report reviewed earlier in the meeting. She will request approval of the invoice and authorization to make payment via wire based upon availability of funds.

Motion: _____ Second: _____

Ayes: _____ Nays: _____

b. Approval of Revised Fee Schedule for the 2010-2011 School Year

PRESENTER: Ted Ochs

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: Mr. Ochs will review the revised fee schedule with the Board and seek Board approval thereof.

Motion: _____ Second: _____

Ayes: _____ Nays: _____

c. Approval of 2010-2011 School Goals

PRESENTER: Ray Lambert

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: Mr. Lambert will review the proposed 2010-2011 school goals with the Board and will seek Board approval thereof.

Motion: _____ Second: _____

Ayes: _____ Nays: _____

d. Approval of Curriculum Strategy for the 2011-2012 School Year

PRESENTER: Pat Hoge

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: Dr. Hoge will review the proposed curriculum strategy for the 2011-2012 school year with the Board and will seek Board approval thereof.

Motion: _____ Second: _____

Ayes: _____ Nays: _____