



Wisconsin Connections Academy  
Board Meeting  
Agenda  
September 13, 2010  
7:30 a.m. CT

In Person and Via Teleconference: 1-866-365-4406; code 445-2828#

- I. Call to Order – J. Kummer-Meyer
- II. Roll Call – J. Kummer-Meyer
- 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 presentations 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](http://www.connectionsacademy.com)

- IV. Routine Business
  - a. Approval of Agenda – J. Kummer-Meyer
- V. Oral Reports
  - a. School Report – M. Mueller
    - i. Update on Back to School Activities
    - ii. Update on Enrollment
    - iii. Update on Board Counsel
  - b. Treasurer's Report (attached) – P. Van Dyck

- VI. Consent Items
  - a. Approval of Minutes from the June 14, 2010 Board Meeting (attached)
  - b. Approval of Amendment to General Handbook – NIMAS Compliance (attached)
  - c. Approval of Amendment to General Handbook – Enrollment Hold Policy (attached)
  - d. Approval of Board Counsel Engagement (attached)
  
- VII. Action Items
  - a. Approval for Board Members to Attend Board Academy 2010 (attached) – M. Wrisley
  - b. Approval for Board Designee(s) to Work with School Principal on High School Expansion Process and Execute Agreement(s) Required by District on Behalf of the School – M. Mueller
  
- VIII. Information Items
  - a. Legislative Update – P. Laystrom
  - b. D&O Insurance Update (attached) – M. Wrisley
  
- IX. Adjournment and Next Meeting Date – December 13, 2010 at 7:30 a.m. CT

**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 June 14, 2010 Board Meeting**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS:** Megann Wrisley

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

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

**b. Approval of Amendment to General Handbook – NIMAS Compliance**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS:** Michelle Mueller

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** Included in the Board package for Board consideration is a revision to the General Handbook which adds section 6.1 of the 2010-2011 General School Handbook regarding digitized textbooks. Board approval of the addition is requested.

**c. Approval of Amendment to General School Handbook – Enrollment Hold Policy**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS:** Michelle Mueller

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** Included in the Board package for Board consideration is a revision to the General Handbook which addresses the school's need that at certain times of year it is necessary, for compliance purposes, to suspend enrollment. This policy would grant the principal/school administrator/CEO the authority to determine the dates during which enrollment will be suspended. Approval of the policy is requested.

**d. Approval of Board Counsel Engagement**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS:** Michelle Mueller

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** Ms. Kummer-Meyer and the school have researched an area law firm to become Board counsel for WCA. Included in your Board materials is an engagement letter from potential Board Counsel, including scope of services and fees, if retained. Board approval of retaining Daniel Welytok as Board counsel is requested.

**Motion:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Second:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Ayes:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Nays:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ACTION ITEMS**

**a. Approval for Board Members to Attend Board Academy 2010**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS:** Megann Wrisley

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** Ms. Wrisley will review this item with the Board. She will be recommending the Board authorize a certain number of Board members to attend Board Academy 2010 in Baltimore, Maryland and the Board approve reimbursing expenses for the Board members incurred in attending the training. Information on the training is included in the Board package.

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Nays: \_\_\_\_\_

**b. Approval for Board Designee(s) to Work with School Principal on High School Expansion Process and Execute Agreement(s) Required by District on Behalf of the School**

**PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS:** Megann Wrisley

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Consideration for Approval

**BACKGROUND:** As the high school expansion process was approved by the Board at the June 2010 meeting, the school is moving forward with the process for adding grades 9-12. As part of the high school expansion process, the Board is being asked to nominate designee(s) to work with the school Principal on the process, and execute any necessary documentation required by the district to amend the charter to include grades 9-12.

Motion: \_\_\_\_\_ Second: \_\_\_\_\_

Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Nays: \_\_\_\_\_