



Indiana Connections Academy
Board Meeting
April 4, 2012
4:30 p.m. ET

To Be Held at the Following Location (and via teleconference):
Indiana Wesleyan University
Intech One – 2nd Floor
6325 Digital Way
Indianapolis, IN 46278

Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented on the agenda at the discretion of the Chair.

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BOARD REVISED AGENDA

- I. Call to Order – J. Windle
- II. Roll Call – J. Windle
- 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

- IV. Routine Business
 - a. Approval of Agenda – J. Windle

- V. Oral Report
 - a. Principal's Report (MSR attached) – M. Brown
 - i. Graduation Plans
 - ii. State Testing Update
 - iii. Enrollment Update
 - b. Financial Report (attached) – S. Soltz

- VI. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of Minutes from the February 22, 2012 Board Meeting (attached)
 - b. Approval of Staffing Report (attached)
 - c. Approval of 2012-2013 School Year Calendar (attached)
 - d. Approval of Student Outreach Plan for the 2012-2013 School Year (to follow)
 - e. Approval of Curriculum for the 2012-213 School Year (attached)

- VII. Action Items
 - a. Approval of Connections Academy of Indiana, LLC Invoices for January and February (attached) – C. Heck
 - b. Approval of School Treasurer Bond (attached) – S. Soltz/C. Heck

- VIII. Information Items
 - a. Legislative Update – S. Stagner
 - b. Connections Blended Charter Development – Indianapolis (attached)– M. Revenaugh

- IX. Adjournment and Confirmation of Next Meeting – April 25, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. ET

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.

a. Approval of Minutes from the February 22, 2012 Board Meeting

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Megann Arthur

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

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

b. Approval of the Staffing Report

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Melissa Brown

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

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

c. Approval of 2012-2013 School Year Calendar

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Melissa Brown

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: The school calendar has been reviewed by the school's leadership team and Connections Academy and Board approval is requested.

d. Approval of Student Outreach Plan for the 2012-2013 School Year

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Susan Fancher

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: Included in the Board package is the school's proposed Student Outreach Plan presentation. The LiveLesson® session offered by CA provided detailed information on the Outreach Plan and a link to the recording was provided to the Board members who were unable to attend. The Board is requested to approve the outreach plan and at a later meeting will be asked to review and approve the 2012-2013 school year budget.

e. Approval of Curriculum for the 2012-2013 School Year

PRESENTER IF MOVED TO ACTION ITEMS: Pat Hoge

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: Following Board approval in the fall of the Curriculum strategy presentation for the upcoming school year and the LiveLesson presentation to Board members in early March, Dr. Hoge has prepared a memo to the Board detailing the curriculum offerings for the 2012-2013 school year, as done each year, and is requesting Board approval.

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

ACTION ITEMS

a. Approval of Connections Academy of Indiana, LLC Invoices for January and February

PRESENTER: Carl Heck

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: Mr. Heck will review the invoices as they relate to the financial report reviewed earlier in the meeting. He will request approval of the invoices, and authorization to make payment via wire based upon availability of funds.

Motion: _____ Second: _____

Ayes: _____ Nays: _____

b. Approval of School Treasurer Bond

PRESENTER: Shawn Soltz/ Carl Heck

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Consideration for Approval

BACKGROUND: The school is required under Indiana Code 20-26-4-5 to have the School Treasurer bonded by an insurance provider licensed in the state of Indiana. Documentation of the requirement is included in the Board materials. As the requirement also states that the amount of the bond is to be determined by the school's governing Board, Mr. Soltz and Mr. Heck will review the recommended amount for the bond, and seek Board approval for that amount.

Motion: _____ Second: _____

Ayes: _____ Nays: _____