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**Indiana Connections Academy (INCA)
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Monday, February 9, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.**

**Held at the following location and via teleconference:
6640 Intech Boulevard, Suite 250
Indianapolis, IN 46278**

I. Call to Order

Ms. Taylor called the meeting to order at 4:38 p.m. when all participants were present and able to hear each other. The meeting location was open to the public to attend.

II. Roll Call

Board Members Present In Person: Stacy Taylor, Richard Ellery and Erika Wise;

Board Members Absent: Robbie Rhinesmith;

Guests Present: Tony Brose, Chandre Sanchez and Kim McMahan School staff (in person); Allison Reaves, Susan Stagner, Brenda Little and Laura Karns, Connections staff (via phone).

III. Confirmation of Appointment of Board Member: Erika Wise

Ms. Taylor reviewed Ms. Wise's biographical information with the Board and noted the results of her background check. The Board members discussed the candidate, and expressed their belief that she would be a good fit for the Board. There being no further discussion, a motion was made and seconded as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Appointment of Board Member candidate Erika Wise, as a Class 2 Director, effective immediately, for a term to the 2015 Annual Meeting, are hereby approved.

The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Public Comment

There were no public comments at this time.

V. Routine Business

a. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Taylor asked the Board to review the Agenda distributed prior to the meeting. There being no changes noted, a motion was made and seconded as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Agenda for the February 9, 2015 meeting of the Board of Directors of Indiana Connections Academy, as presented, is hereby approved.

The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Oral Report

a. Principal's Report

i. State Testing Update

In Ms. Brown's absence, Mr. Brose reviewed upcoming state testing and preparations by school staff members.

ii. Graduation Plans Update

Mr. Brose advised the Board of the high school graduation ceremony and the number of students expected to participate.

iii. Winter Principal's Retreat Update

Ms. Reaves reported to the Board on the Winter Principal's Retreat Ms. Brown recently attended, including the professional development initiatives and Ms. Brown's Principal's Choice Award voted on by her peers.

b. Financial Report

Ms. Little reviewed the financial information contained in the Board materials and discussed changes from the previous month's financial statements. She reviewed the balance sheet, and the school's revenue and expense statements. In response to the Board's inquiry regarding the textbook reimbursement comment in the recent audit, Ms. Little confirmed that the school is no longer requesting reimbursement therefore the documentation is no longer needed.

VII. Consent Agenda

Ms. Taylor asked the Board Members whether there were any items from the Consent Items that they wished to have moved to Action Items for discussion, or tabled. There being no items removed from the Consent Items, a motion was made and seconded as follows:

RESOLVED, the Consent Items:

- a. Approval of Minutes from the January 26, 2015 Board Meeting;
- b. Approval of Staffing Report;
- c. Approval of Additional Federal Title Funding Plans for the 2014-2015 School Year; and
- d. Approval of Outreach Plan for the 2015-2016 School Year; are hereby approved.

The motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Action Items

a. Approval of Connections Academy of Indiana, LLC Invoice for January

Ms. Taylor reviewed Mr. Rhinesmith's recommendation to approve the January invoice as drawn from the financial report provided in the Board materials, and reviewed earlier in the meeting. She asked the Board members whether they had any questions on the invoice or if any items required further explanation. There being no further discussion, a motion was made and seconded as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Connections Academy of Indiana, LLC invoice for January, in the amount of \$1,871,119.95, as presented, is hereby approved.

The motion passed unanimously.

b. Approval of Board Designee on Connections Education Curriculum Advisory Panel

Ms. Taylor reviewed the background and purpose of the Connections Education Curriculum Advisory Panel with the Board. The Board discussed the panel and who would best represent the needs and desires of the students on the panel. Ms. Taylor nominated Ms. Wise to be the Board Designee. There being no further discussion, a motion was made and seconded as follows:

RESOLVED, that Erika Wise as the Board Designee on Connections Education Curriculum Advisory Panel, is hereby approved.

The motion was approved unanimously.

IX. Information Items

a. State Relations Update

Ms. Stagner provided the Board with an update on legislative activities which may impact the school.

X. Adjournment and Confirmation of Next Meeting on Monday, April 20, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. ET

The next meeting is scheduled for April 20, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:56 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.