



NCVA is a community of students, families, and educators dedicated to expanding educational choice through innovative and technology-rich instructional practices, and accountable for developing each student's full potential for academic and post-secondary success.

**June 01, 2020, Regular Board Meeting
Minutes**

**Regular Meeting – via Videoconference
North Carolina Learns, Inc.
Board of Directors**

<https://zoom.us/j/601051832>

Board Members Present		Board Members Absent	Others in Attendance Non-Voting
			Chad Long, K12
Dr. Ronald Kantor	Walter Martin		Chris Withrow, Executive Director
Sara Struhs	Brenda Robertson		Lauren Acome, K12
Dr. Steven Peters	Dr. Steve Moody		Marcia Simmons, K12
Dr. Ann Fuerst	Mark Fleming		John Kramer, K12
			Perry Daniel, K12
			Harry Kaplan
			Jason Deans
			Amanda Faulkenberry
			Jodi Marshall, K12
			Julie Overholt, K12
			Tom Graham, K12

I. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Steve Moody called the meeting to order at 5:04 PM. Before conducting business, the Executive Director took the roll to ensure that a quorum of the board existed. With a quorum present, board business could be conducted.

The mission was read for the full board to drive the actions and deliberations for the remainder of the meeting.

ACTION: Mr. Mark Fleming made a motion to accept the agenda, and approve all minutes from previous meetings, seconded by Mr. Walter Martin. The motion passed unanimously.

II. COMMUNICATIONS:

No requests for public comments were received.

III. CONSENT ITEMS:

- Proposed Policy Changes
- Brenda Robertson – 2nd Term
- 2020/2021 School Calendar
- 2020/2021 Board Meeting Calendar

ACTION: Mrs. Sara Struhs made a motion to approve the consent agenda items, seconded by Dr. Ron Kantor. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- Harry Kaplan, Jason Deans, Amanda Faulkenberry, and Franklin Freeman provided an update of the activities taking place at the General Assembly [GA] and the State Board of Education [SBE]. COVID 19 has forced schools, the SBE, and the GA to evaluate Virtual/Remote education. Notably, there is interest in the model that we provide. There is talk of lifting the enrollment cap and moving NCVA out of pilot status and into a full renewing charter. The SBE will decide this week if they will allow NCVA to continue at its current enrollment numbers.
- Mrs. Lauren Acome, HOS, shared the following:
 - Employee agreements for rehire will occur this month; the Chairman thanked Mrs. Acome for being timely sending the agreements out before the summer break.
 - She updated the board with the enrollment/lottery information with all slots being filled, and we have a waitlist.
 - ACT numbers across the board are higher than in previous years.
 - She provided information regarding our spelling bee and art show.

- Our teacher and family pulse checks are up compared to the same time the previous year.
- Details of the summer reading camp were shared.
- Mr. Walter Martin updated the board regarding the finances, particularly our enrollments, which are currently projected for 2,715 on a 9-month average, being 209 registrations higher than last year. Total funding is \$20.0 million, with total projected expenses at \$19.9 million. The year-end surplus is \$120K before the 3% Top-Off Reserve of \$68k.

Three invoices listed below are being recommended for the board to approve.

Staff Charge Back
Substitute Teacher and Student ISP
May Invoice

V. ACTION ITEMS:

May Invoice

Staff Charge Back Invoice

Substitute Teachers and Student Internet Invoice

2020/2021 Budget

ACTION: Mr. Walter Martin, made a motion approve the invoices, seconded by Dr. Ann Fuerst. The motion passed unanimously.

ACTION: Mr. Walter Martin, made a motion approve the budget, seconded by Dr. Ronald Kantor. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. CHAIRPERSON COMMENTS

- June 04, 2020, 11 AM Graduation

VII. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Mark Fleming and properly seconded by Mr. Walter Martin. The motion passed unanimously. With the completion of all agenda items and no new business items, the meeting was adjourned.

The meeting ended at 6:14 PM.

The next scheduled board meeting will be July 06, 2020, 5 PM.