



## OFFICIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, January 15, 2025 New Century Academy

### Board Members:

- Present: Kathy Prellwitz, Kelsey Dolge, Heather Finnell, Traci Schutz
- Present Online: Tina Myllykangas

### Others Present:

Jason Becker

### Others Present Online:

Jenny Abbs from Creative Planning  
Eric Molho from NEO

### Proceedings:

- Meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m. by Prellwitz
- Additions / Changes to agenda
  - Recognize visitors
    - Jenny Abbs, from our new accounting firm "Creating Planning"
    - Eric Molho, representative from NEO
    - Two New Century Academy students
  - Approval of Agenda
    - A motion was made by Dolge, seconded by Finnell, to approve the agenda.
    - Motion carried via roll call.
  - Public Input
    - none.
  - Consent Agenda
    - A motion was made by Finnell, seconded by Schutz, to approve the consent agenda.
    - Motion carried via roll call.
  - School Board Training –
    - None

### Discussion Items:

- Finance Committee Report – Jenny Abbs
  - Discussed the November Financials
  - December and January financials will be reviewed at the next board meeting.
  - The school's cash balance the end of November was \$434,299
  - November year to date total revenue: \$758,816 which is 39% of the FY25 budget.
  - November year to date total expense: \$700,874 which is 34% of the FY25 budget.
- Policy Committee – Schutz
  - 1st Read – Out of State Travel by Board Members Policy

- Marketing / PR – Finnell
  - With the TikTok ban looming, NCA students plan to use Facebook and other social media platforms to showcase their upcoming lock-in and promote NCA. There are still several new student packets being picked up by parents on a weekly basis.
  
- Strategic Planning – Entire board
  - Scheduled after February meeting. Topics of the agenda include the school's programming, project based learning, and marketing.
  
- Director Report – Jason Becker
  - Winter family night was successful with a lot of monetary donations and items from area businesses for the give away to those who attended.
  - There will be an upcoming staff training with the charter school coop with one general education teacher and four special education teachers attending.
  - Every three years NCA has a special education review by MN Department of Education, which NCA is currently in the middle of said review this year.
  
- Chairperson Report - Prellwitz
  - Update on tuition reimbursement. There is a court date in February.

**Action Items:**

- Approve November Financials.
  - A motion was made by Dolge, seconded by Finnell, to approve the November Financials.
  - Motion failed unanimously via roll call.

**Adjourn Meeting**

- A motion was made by Finnell, seconded by Myllykangas, to adjourn the meeting.
- Motion carried via roll call.
- Time of adjournment 6:24 p.m.