

OFFICIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, May 21, 2025 New Century Academy

Board Members:

Present: Kathy Prellwitz, Kelsey Dolge, Traci Schutz

Absent: Heather Finnell, Tina Myllykangas

Others Present: Jason Becker

Proceedings:

- Meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m.by Prellwitz
- Additions / Changes to agenda
 - Remove action items e) approve 2025-2026 Calendar, and f) approve FY26 Budget.
- Recognize visitors
 - NCA Student
- Approval of Agenda
 - A motion was made by Dolge, seconded by Schutz, to approve the agenda as amended.
 - o Motion carried via roll call.
- Public Input
 - None
- Consent Agenda
 - o A motion was made by Dolge, seconded by Schutz, to approve the consent agenda.
 - Motion carried via roll call.
- School Board Training
 - o None.

Discussion Items:

- Finance Committee Report pre-recorded video from Creative Planning
 - o Discussed the April month end financials.
 - o Actual ADM is 100. Working Budget ADM is 95.
 - o The school's cash balance at the end of April was \$378,215.
 - Going forward, NEO needs to see "Pupil Units" along with "Actual ADM" and "Budget ADM" in the financial reports.
- Policy Committee –Schutz
 - Final Reading NCA Policy 210 Conflict of Interest of Board Members
 - Final Reading NCA Policy 405 Anti Nepotism
 - Final Reading NCA Policy 514 Bullying Prohibition

- Marketing / PR Dolge
 - Held tour visits with middle schoolers. Eight students toured NCA for 9th grade enrollment. The feedback from these students was very positive. Need to focus more on school tours and Jason wants us to promote the school at parades this summer.
- Strategic Planning Entire board
 - o none
- Director Report Becker
 - o NWEAs are completed. MCAs inputted into framework goals. Discussed new goals and trying to increase our points for MDE report card, but the MCA framework is unrealistic, and it is frustrating. The measurements are compared with other schools statewide (larger schools) and it is extremely difficult to meet their framework goals because we are such a small school. We are working with our Authorizer, NEO and our advocate Adam, to develop goals that better reflect our school's strengths and abilities that are not related to standardized testing.
- Chairperson Report Prellwitz
 - Nothing to report.

Action Items:

- Approve April Financials.
 - o A motion was made by Dolge, seconded by Schutz, to approve the April Financials.
 - Motion carried via roll call.
- Approve Policy 210 Conflict of Interest of School Board Members.
 - A motion was made by Schutz, seconded by Dolge, to approve Policy 210: Conflict of Interest of School Board Members.
 - o Motion carried via roll call.
- Approve Policy 405 Anti-Nepotism Policy
 - A motion was made by Schutz, seconded by Dolge, to approve Policy 405: Anti-Nepotism Policy.
 - Motion carried via roll call.
- Policy 514 Bullying Prohibition
 - o A motion was made by Dolge, seconded by Schutz to approve Policy 514 Bullying Prohibition.
 - Motion carried via roll call.

Adjourn Meeting

- A motion was made by Schutz, seconded by Dolge, to adjourn the meeting.
- o Motion carried via roll call.
- Time of adjournment 6:54 p.m.