



**Board Members**

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**NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA**

**May 24, 2016**  
**Indiana Government Center South**  
**Conference Room C**  
**402 West Washington Street**  
**Indianapolis, IN 46204**

**2:00 p.m. EST**  
Board Meeting

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## **Agenda**

### **I. Call to Order/ Board Meeting Minutes Approval – 2pm**

Board Chair Josh Owens called the meeting to order at 2 p.m. Board members in attendance include DeLyn Beard, Dr. Virginia Calvin and Jill Robinson Kramer.

Mr. Owens opened the floor to a motion to approve the minutes from the previous board meeting. Dr. Calvin moved to approve the minutes and Ms. Beard seconded. The minutes were passed unanimously.

### **II. Updates**

Executive Director James Betley provided updates on changes to board. Mr. Betley stated that Dr. Karega Rausch had resigned from the ICSB and Josh Owens had been appointed chair of the ICSB Governor Pence. To replace Dr. Rausch on the board, Speaker of the House Brian Bosma appointed Jill Robinson Kramer.

Mr. Betley also informed the board that Kristin Reed had resigned her position after accepting the role as charter school liaison at the Indiana Department of Education. Superintendent of Public Instruction Glenda Ritz has appointed Greg Hahn as her replacement.

Mr. Betley then explains why Mr. Hahn and board members Kreg Battles and Gretchen Gutman were not in attendance.

### **III. Charter School Application Consideration**

Mr. Betley indicated that four of the applicants withdrew their applications and would not be available for consideration.

#### **Circle City Preparatory Charter School**

Staff Recommendation: Mr. Betley then provided an overview of the staff recommendation for Circle City Preparatory Charter School. Mr. Betley indicated the ICSB staff recommended to approve Circle City Preparatory Charter School.

Presentation of Proposal: Megan Murphy of CCPCS provided the board with a presentation of the application and introduced the CCPCS board.

Question and Answer Period: Board members then asked questions regarding staff salaries, teacher recruitment efforts and plans to work with the target community.

Decision: Chair Owens opened the floor to public comment. Seeing none, he closed and opened the floor to a motion. Dr. Calvin moved to accept the recommendation from ICSB staff. Ms. Beard seconded. The application was approved with Ms. Beard, Chair Owens, Dr. Calvin and Ms. Kramer voting yes. There were not any no votes.

#### **Civic Collegiate Public Charter School**

Staff Recommendation: Mr. Betley provided the overview of the staff recommendation for Civic Collegiate Public Charter School. Mr. Betley indicated the ICSB staff recommended to approve Civic Collegiate Public Charter School.

Presentation of Proposal: Luke Lennon of CCPCS provided the board with a presentation of the application and introduced CCPCS board members.

Question and Answer Period: ICSB members asked questions regarding grade level configuration and provided praise on the vision of CCPCS.

Decision: Chair Owens opened the floor to public comment. Seeing none, he moved to accept the recommendation from ICSB staff. Dr. Calvin seconded. The application was approved with Ms. Beard, Chair Owens, Dr. Calvin and Ms. Kramer voting yes. There were not any no votes.

#### **East Chicago FOCUS Academy**

Staff Recommendation: Mr. Betley then provided an overview of the staff recommendation for East Chicago FOCUS Academy. Mr. Betley indicated the ICSB staff recommended to approve East Chicago FOCUS Academy.

Presentation of Proposal: Kevin Teasley of ECFA provided the board with a presentation of the application and introduced the board members of ECFA.

Question and Answer Period: ICSB members asked questions regarding teacher retention, ECFA's special education program. The ICSB members also praised ECFA's vision.

Decision: Chair Owens opened the floor to public comments. Seeing none, he moved to accept the recommendation from ICSB staff. Dr. Calvin seconded. The application was approved with Ms. Beard, Chair Owens, Dr. Calvin and Ms. Kramer voting yes. There were not any no votes.

#### **IV. Closing Remarks**

Chair Owens acknowledged that the staff has worked tirelessly and dealing with a whole host of issues during this application process. He thanked them for the effort and dedication to the schools. Dr. Calvin echoed Chair Owens stating that staff has worked very hard and has brought the board quality. The approved schools will add value to Indiana and ICSB. She looks forward to the results from the three approved schools.

Kevin Teasley of ECFA also commended the staff and the board for the way business is conducted and for being transparent.

#### **V. Adjourn**

Chair Owens moved to adjourn and Dr. Calvin seconded. The meeting adjourned at 3:31 p.m.