

# October Board Meeting

## Minutes (Approved)

### **General Information**

<b>Name of Meeting</b>	October Board Meeting
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	10/7/25
<b>Time of Meeting (CT)</b>	5:30 - 7:30 PM CST
<b>Number of Attendees</b>	6
<b>Quorum Present (Y or N)</b>	Y
<b>Location</b>	1615 S Christiana Ave, Chicago, IL 60623

\*Call to Order

### **Roll Call / Board Members in Attendance**

- Present:
  - John Horan
  - Carrie Stewart
  - Alees Edwards
  - Hill Hammock
  - Bruce Miller
  - James Brooks
- Not Present:
  - Al Bennett
  - Robin Steans
  - Karen Castleberry (leave of absence)
  - Wilonda Cannon

### **School Staff Attendees**

- Present:
  - Jemia Cunningham-Elder, Chief Executive Officer
  - Genessa Brown, Sr. Director of Operations
  - Lora Jennings, Director of HR, Strategy, and Improvement

## **Guest Attendees**

- N/A

## **Agenda**

1. Welcome
2. Call to Order
3. Public Comment
4. Board Compliance
5. CEO Report
6. Closed Session (*discretionary*)
7. Return to General Session
8. Public Meeting Adjournment

### Approval of the Agenda

- Motion to Approve Agenda: Bruce Miller
- **Seconded by:** John Horan
- **Approved/Rejected:** Yes
- **Amendments (if any):** N/A

## **Agenda Summary**

### **Agenda Item 2:** Call to Order

- **Roll Call:**
- John Horan - YES
- Carrie Stewart - YES
- Alees Edwards - YES
- Hill Hammock - YES
- Bruce Miller - YES
- James Brooks - YES

### **Agenda Item 3:** Public Comment

- There was no public comment at the board meeting held on October 7, 2025.

### **Agenda Item 4:** Board Compliance

- **Discussion Summary:** All board members have successfully completed OMA. The following board members are out of compliance: John, Alees, Rob, and Wilonda. Please sign up for the next available board training session. Compliance status emails, along with details on additional board training opportunities, will be sent out soon. Additionally, all COI forms have been distributed for signature.
- **Action Taken:** N/A
- **Responsible Party:** Keanna Greer | Board Members
- **Timeline/Deadline:** 6/27/26

**Agenda Item 5:** CEO Report

- **Discussion Summary:** Discussed questions and potential impacts of EPIC and ChiArts on NLCP.
- **Action Taken:** N/A

**Agenda Item 6:** Closed Session

- **Discussion Summary:** 5 ILCS 120/2(c)1: the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.

**Agenda Item 7:** Return to General Session

**Motions**

- Motion 1:
  - Motion: Call the meeting to order
  - Made by: Bruce Miller
  - Seconded by: John Horan
  - Roll Call Vote:
    - John Horan - YES
    - Carrie Stewart - YES
    - Alees Edwards - YES
    - Hill Hammock - YES
    - Bruce Miller - YES
    - James Brooks - YES
  - Details: N/A
- Motion 2:
  - Motion: Approve Agenda
  - Made by: Hill Hammock
  - Seconded by: James Brooks
  - Roll Call Vote:
    - John Horan - YES
    - Carrie Stewart - YES
    - Alees Edwards - YES
    - Hill Hammock - YES
    - Bruce Miller - YES

- James Brooks - YES
- Motion 3:
  - Motion: Approve 6/17/25 & 5/13/25 Meeting Minutes
  - Made by: Hill Hammock
  - Seconded by: James Brooks
  - Roll Call Vote:
    - John Horan - YES
    - Carrie Stewart - YES
    - Alees Edwards - YES
    - Hill Hammock - YES
    - Bruce Miller - YES
    - James Brooks - YES
- **Motion 8: Public Meeting Adjournment**
  - Motion: Meeting adjourned
  - Made by: Bruce Miller
  - Seconded by: Hill Hammock
  - Details: N/A

### **Adjournment - Public Session**

- Time of Adjournment :10/7/2025, 7:30 PM CST
- Next Meeting: 11/18/2025, 5:30 - 7:30 PM CST
- Adjournment Motion Made by: Bruce Miller
- Seconded by: Hill Hammock
- Approved/Rejected: Yes