

MEETING MINUTES

Name of Foundation: ReThink Forward, Inc.

Board Meeting: March 25, 2021

The minutes of Sunshine Law meetings need not be verbatim transcripts of the meeting. These minutes are a brief summary of the events of the meeting.

Date:	Next Meeting:	Next Time:	Prepared by:
March 25, 2021	April 22, 2021		Carol Swann
Meeting Location:			
The meeting was held via Zoom, and in-person at TNC			
Attended by:			
Board Members: Dr. Dan Boone Ms. Rebecca Dinda Mr. Tom Lee Dr. Sharon Smith		Other Attendees: Sherry Hage Richard Page Eric Lewis Richard Garcia Hillary Daigle Carol Swann	

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting commenced at 2:30 p.m. CT with a Call to Order by Chairman Dan Boone. Roll call was taken and quorum established.

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

II. Administration:

- Rebecca Dinda called for approval of the February 25, 2021 ReThink Forward meeting minutes as written.
- Tom Lee seconded the motion to approve.
- February 25, 2021 minutes were unanimously approved by the ReThink Forward board.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Richard Page gave an update on NCP. Thus far:
 - The new NCP building has been secured and demolition began Tuesday, March 23, 2021.
 - Sherry Hage shared a power point presentation of pictures taken on the first day of demolition.
 - Richard thanked Tom Lee for his help in moving the process of securing the building forward.
 - Although a tight timeline, the anticipation is that the building will be ready for a July 16, 2021 opening.

- There are still a few items left to complete prior to receiving a full building permit, but those items are being worked on by our architects and will be taken care of as soon as possible.
 - The location may now be made public: 1638 Bell Road, Nashville, TN. 37211
 - Opening day for students is August 10, 2021.
 - Dr. Boone suggested the board would like to see the building and it was determined that either the April or May board meeting be held in the temporary NCP office, with a tour arranged for the board. Richard Page and Sherry Hage will work to make that happen.
 - The Grand Opening ceremony for NCP is in the planning stage, and a firm date will be published as soon as we can. The invitations are ready to go out and the event will be well-publicized.
 - Dr. Boone asked about enrollment at NCP and Richard Page reported that we have engaged a marketing company that has targeted 10,000 homes beginning March 26, 2021. As of the meeting day, we have 90 students enrolled in NCP, and an average of one (1) family per day walking into the temporary office to enroll.
- 2) **Financial Report** – Sherry Hage introduced Richard Garcia and Hillary Daigle, who will be working on getting accounts set up for NCP, as well as all financial reporting. Dr. Boone requested a session to walk the board through how to read and understand the financial reports, and both Richard Garcia and Sherry Hage indicated this could be done easily. Tom Lee also offered assistance.
- Hillary Daigle will work on the audit
 - Sherry Hage reminded the board that there is a requirement in Tennessee charter law that governing boards have at least one yearly training session, and this financial training would fulfill that requirement.
 - Richard Page indicated there are CSP start-up funds for NCP and it is almost time to begin making purchases and drawing down those funds. He provided clarity that NCP must expend the funds and then ask for reimbursement. The amount is \$600,000.00.
- 3) **Expansion Grant for RCP**
- ReThink Forward’s application for a charter school in Rutherford County, Rutherford Collegiate Prep, was submitted on February 1, 2021. The school system has 90 calendar days to review the application and vote on whether to approve or deny it. As of the day of the board meeting, they are at day 53.
 - RCP is eligible for an expansion grant from the state and an application was submitted for it totaling \$500,000.00.
 - Richard Page indicated that the Rutherford County School Board appointed a charter review team at their last board meeting and located the minutes so the ReThink board could see who is reviewing the application.
- 4) **Old Business**
- The furniture donated from the prior owner of the new NCP building has been received and is gratefully accepted.
 - Not only was there classroom and office furniture, but substantial medical equipment, which will enable us to offer a medical CTE path at Knowledge Academy High School. NCP will benefit from much of the donation as well once construction is complete.
- 5) **ADJOURNMENT**
- Dr. Smith called for a motion for adjournment. Rebecca Dinda seconded that motion. The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Sam L. Boone

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Board Chair: _____

Date: _____

Next Meeting April 22, 2021