

Family Connection-Communities In Schools of Athens  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

February 27, 2025

The meeting was called to order by President Kerri Massey at 8:33 a.m.

Draft minutes had been distributed before this meeting by Secretary Paul Kurtz. The minutes for the January Board meeting were accepted on motion by Kurtz, seconded by Knapper

**Present: President Massey, Vice President Kinman, Treasurer Blount, Secretary Kurtz, Executive Director Podvin. Board Members: Spangler, McCullick, Luciani, Stevens, Hagan, Nobles, Zwirn, Knapper. Absent: Past President Brooks, Bradley, Sanders, Girtz, Meadows, Diaz**

**Staff: Executive Director Podvin**

Agenda item	Motion/action or report
Staff reports	<p>Executive Director Podvin reported that Program Manager Hope Ingle has resigned, the Resource Development position remains vacant, and a search for a bi-lingual Neighborhood Leader continues. Alicia Harris has been hired for the vacant Site Coordinator position at Clarke Central</p> <p>Executive Director Podvin reported we are now able to accept THRIVE cases as that program is now fully-staffed, but we have not yet had a case appear to be handled. We are considering broadening the time during which a pending case might be accepted from 45 days to possibly 90 as is done in other programs. Discussion has been had with Cameron Jay Harrelson about the possibility of doing contract work on Resource Development on a project basis. She also noted the shifting of several principals within the CCSD, effective July 1.</p> <p>Before the meeting, the Board had received reports from the Executive Director, the THRIVE program, the Neighborhood Leader program, and current monthly financials for January, 2025</p> <p>Executive Director Podvin and Alice Kinman both reported on the run through of the presentation to be made to the County Commission concerning future funding by Athens Clarke County and asked for Board members to take note of the work session by the Commission on March 11.</p>
President's Report	<p>President Massey reported on the members of the ad hoc Committee on Internal Structure and Administration (Kinman, Spangler, Brooks, Sanders, Luciani, and Bradley) and the ad hoc Committee on the Future of the NL program (Diaz, Nobles, Knapper, Meadows). President Massey and Executive Director</p>
Resource Development Committee	<p>Kevin Hagan has been standing in in the absence of a Chair. A marketing plan needs to be drawn up. Director Podvin announced that we earned almost \$2,000 from the Rock Lobster event. She also is hoping to attend a Cobb County Adult Spelling Bee event in the near future to see how that is done there. Reportedly it has raised over \$100,00 in the past.</p>

Communications Committee	Chairman Kurtz reported that the production of our next newsletter has been delayed. Hope Ingle's departure has placed the burden of the Program Manager's work load on Executive Director Podvin's plate.
Finance Committee	Chairman Blount reported that work has begun on the latest audit and we have gotten the name of a possible alternative account to conduct future audits. Otherwise, we are in good shape financially.
Adjournment	On motion of Blount, seconded by Knapper, the meeting was adjourned at 9:34.