

Minutes
University of Chicago Charter School Corporation Board of Directors
Thursday, June 11, 2026 from 5:00 - 6:30pm
In Person
Donoghue Campus, 707 E 37th Street

Attendees

In Person Board Members: D. Gorman-Smith, K. Lee, N. Grover

Absent Board Members: K. Kinzler and M. Zepeda

Also in attendance: A. Sergeant, A. Hull, C. Ragin, T. Pajakowski

School Directors: D. Gordon, E. Hughes, S. Woods, D. Benton

- I. **Welcome:** D. Gorman-Smith welcomed everyone and opened the meeting. Due to the pending inclement weather, the UCCS board will move quickly through the agenda.
- II. **Minutes:** D. Gorman-Smith called for a motion to approve the minutes for the April 2nd Special Board Meeting and the April 19th Regular Board Meeting. K. Lee moved, N. Grover seconded, and all approved.
- III. **Public Participation:** None.
- IV. **CEO Report:** A. Sergeant reviewed UCCS's SY27 data and attendance trends, highlighting the overall network decrease in chronic absenteeism and truancy compared to SY25 and SY24.

NKO's rates of proficiency are maintaining in ELA and Math on NWEA and preliminary IAR. Donoghue saw a decrease in math proficiency in IAR but maintained proficiency in ELA for IAR. S. Woods presented on intervention planning for grades 3-5 to increase proficiency rates in math.

UCW MS saw increased gains in NWEA and IAR in both Math and ELA. D. Benton attributed the growth to a shift to high-quality Tier 1 instruction and small groups, along with quality curricula, Zearn. Next year, Middle School will have a common ELA curriculum. UCW HS reviewed ACT scores. D. Gordon highlighted the increased growth on the Reading section of the ACT, attributing the growth to an earlier start with ACT tutoring along with after-school office hours. A. Sergeant closed by underlining the need to aggressively address and monitor Tier 1 instruction across all campuses, re-norming on high expectations, clarification of roles, and progress monitoring goal execution.

A. Sergeant presented the UCCS College Office report showing a 100% acceptance rate for all graduating seniors.

- V. **Enrollment Report:** A. Sergeant shared current enrollment projections for SY27, showing enrollment is on target, and offers are still being made to students.

VI. Finance Report and Budget Vote: A. Hull presented the financial statements for fourth quarter close. The board reviewed the updated draft budget, including the CPS PCTC rates, which were lower than anticipated for elementary schools. SY27 budget is balanced, indicating a “Meets Expectations” score for the CPS scorecard.

N. Grover made a motion to approve the UCCS SY27 budget; K. Lee seconded the motion; all approved.

V. Charter Renewal: C. Ragin presented the updated CPS charter renewal metrics and growth areas indicated in the Renewal Report from CPS.

VII. Adjourn: D. Gorman-Smith adjourned the meeting at 5:48pm.