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# Bridges Charter School

## Minutes

### Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Monday October 19, 2020 at 6:15 PM

#### Location

Due to COVID-19, this meeting will be held via teleconference only. Members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment using the information below:

#### NOTICE OF TELECONFERENCE OPTIONS FOR MEETING

This meeting of the Bridges Charter School Board of Directors will be a teleconference meeting where one or more members of the Board will be attending the meeting via teleconference/video conference.

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#### Directors Present

A. Lennon (remote), D. Fante (remote), M. Flaherty (remote), M. Louderback (remote), O. Gunday Heerma (remote), S. Trowbridge (remote)

#### Directors Absent

*None*

#### Guests Present

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Adam Leavitt (remote), Addie Gonchar-Rope (remote), Amy Lyden (remote), B. Martinez (remote), Bonnie Hodges (remote), Brett Wolmarans (remote), C. McCarthy (remote), Cameron (remote), Carmen Holder (remote), Cassandra Kluck (remote), E. San Jose (remote), Erika Miller (remote), Erin Hirsch (remote), K. Hans (remote), K. Simon (remote), Libby Stolper (remote), Lindsay Beard (remote), Lucia Lang (remote), M. Hartsuyker (remote), Marcy Crawford (remote), Marcy Shoemaker (remote), Marsi Gore (remote), Megan Chisum (remote), Megan Mulligan (remote), Monique Jensen (remote), Nan (remote), Natalie Haworth (remote), Norma Delgado (remote), Patti Reis (remote), Tina Lorch (remote)

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## I. Opening Items

### A. Call the Meeting to Order

M. Louderback called a meeting of the board of directors of Bridges Charter School to order on Monday Oct 19, 2020 at 6:18 PM.

### B. Record Attendance and Guests

### C. Approval of Agenda

M. Flaherty made a motion to approve the agenda.

D. Fante seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| A. Lennon        | Aye |
| M. Louderback    | Aye |
| M. Flaherty      | Aye |
| S. Trowbridge    | Aye |
| D. Fante         | Aye |
| O. Gunday Heerma | Aye |

### D. Approval of Minutes~

S. Trowbridge made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 09-29-20.

A. Lennon seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| M. Flaherty      | Aye |
| O. Gunday Heerma | Aye |
| A. Lennon        | Aye |
| D. Fante         | Aye |
| S. Trowbridge    | Aye |
| M. Louderback    | Aye |

### E.

### **Approval of Minutes from Special Board Meeting**

S. Trowbridge made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Board Meeting on 10-08-20.

M. Flaherty seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| D. Fante         | Aye |
| M. Louderback    | Aye |
| S. Trowbridge    | Aye |
| O. Gunday Heerma | Aye |
| A. Lennon        | Aye |
| M. Flaherty      | Aye |

## **II. Presentations**

### **A. Marlo Hartsuyker - VCOE Charter School Oversight~**

There was no report.

## **III. Public Comments**

### **A. Public Comments**

Parent Monique Jensen spoke to the Board returning to school to soon and school protocols.

Teacher Carmen Holder echoed Monique's sentiments.

## **IV. Reports**

### **A. Governing Board**

Board Members / Committee Reports

- President - Mike Louderback
- Chief Financial Officer - Damian Fante
- Vice President - Ozge Heerma
- Parliamentarian - Michael Flaherty
- Secretary - Shannon Trowbridge
- Member - Amanda Lennon

### **B. Director Reports**

**Kelly Simon, PhD, Director**

- Shared information about Parent Education Night
- Spoke about the Coffee Chat with the Directors

- Talked about the Library Program Updates
- Reminded everyone about the PAC Family Donation Program
- Mentioned the upcoming Charter School Board Training at the VCOE

**Cindy McCarthy, Assistant Director**

- Shared what the school did for Unity Day
- Talked about National Bullying Prevention Month
- Let everyone know that the Family Directory has been created
- Drive though Halloween for students will be held on 10/30/20 at Bridges
- Classes experienced the Great Shakeout Drill differently this year

**V. Consent Items**

**A. Consent Items~**

O. Gunday Heerma made a motion to approve the consent items.

D. Fante seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| O. Gunday Heerma | Aye |
| M. Flaherty      | Aye |
| S. Trowbridge    | Aye |
| A. Lennon        | Aye |
| M. Louderback    | Aye |
| D. Fante         | Aye |

**VI. Business and Operations**

**A. Approval of SB 820 Growth Funding Application**

A. Lennon made a motion to approve the SB 820 Growth Funding Application.

O. Gunday Heerma seconded the motion.

Benny Martinez, Director of School Business Services, Ventura County Schools Business Service Authority spoke to the Board about this application.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| A. Lennon        | Aye |
| O. Gunday Heerma | Aye |
| M. Louderback    | Aye |
| D. Fante         | Aye |
| S. Trowbridge    | Aye |
| M. Flaherty      | Aye |

**B. Approval for Purchase of 60 Individual Student Desks, NTE \$5,150~**

M. Flaherty made a motion to approve the Purchase of 60 Individual Student Desks, NTE \$5,150.

S. Trowbridge seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| A. Lennon        | Aye |
| S. Trowbridge    | Aye |
| O. Gunday Heerma | Aye |
| D. Fante         | Aye |
| M. Louderback    | Aye |
| M. Flaherty      | Aye |

**VII. Special Projects/Programs**

**A. Updates to School Re-opening Plan**

A. Lennon made a motion to approve the updated School Re-opening Plan to allow field trips or on site activities operated through the school beginning on November 2, 2020.

D. Fante seconded the motion.

Dr. Simon led the Board in a discussion and shared current updates along with developments of grade specific plans for returning to school.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| M. Flaherty      | Aye |
| D. Fante         | Aye |
| M. Louderback    | Aye |
| O. Gunday Heerma | Aye |
| A. Lennon        | Aye |
| S. Trowbridge    | Aye |

M. Flaherty made a motion to extend the meeting by 45 minutes beginning at 8:15 p.m.

S. Trowbridge seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| S. Trowbridge    | Aye |
| M. Flaherty      | Aye |
| O. Gunday Heerma | Aye |
| D. Fante         | Aye |
| M. Louderback    | Aye |
| A. Lennon        | Aye |

**B. Childcare Waiver**

There was no vote on the childcare waiver.

M. Flaherty made a motion to extend the meeting for another half hour.

D. Fante seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| O. Gunday Heerma | Aye |
| S. Trowbridge    | Aye |
| D. Fante         | Aye |
| M. Louderback    | No  |
| M. Flaherty      | Aye |
| A. Lennon        | Aye |

**VIII. Charter Policies**

**A. First Reading of BP 6157 Distance Learning~**

M. Flaherty made a motion to approve BP 6157 Distance Learning with 2 edits to the final section; at discretion of directors and remove heading.

D. Fante seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| A. Lennon        | Aye |
| M. Louderback    | Aye |
| D. Fante         | Aye |
| O. Gunday Heerma | Aye |
| M. Flaherty      | Aye |
| S. Trowbridge    | Aye |

**IX. Governing Board**

**A. Status of open Board Position~**

M. Flaherty made a motion to leave the board seat vacant pending candidates brought forward for review.

O. Gunday Heerma seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| O. Gunday Heerma | Aye |
| D. Fante         | Aye |
| M. Louderback    | Aye |
| S. Trowbridge    | Aye |
| M. Flaherty      | Aye |
| A. Lennon        | Aye |

**X. Closed Session**

**A. Business Pursuant to Government Code § 54957 (b)~**

The Board went into Closed Session at 9:13 p.m.

## **B. Return to Open Session**

M. Flaherty made a motion to return to Open Session at 9:45 p.m.

A. Lennon seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

### **Roll Call**

|                  |         |
|------------------|---------|
| S. Trowbridge    | Aye     |
| A. Lennon        | Aye     |
| O. Gunday Heerma | Aye     |
| M. Louderback    | Aye     |
| M. Flaherty      | Aye     |
| D. Fante         | Abstain |

## **XI. Open Session**

### **A. Report Taken on Actions in Closed Session~**

There was no report.

## **XII. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

A. Lennon made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

M. Flaherty seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

### **Roll Call**

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| D. Fante         | Aye |
| O. Gunday Heerma | Aye |
| M. Louderback    | Aye |
| S. Trowbridge    | Aye |
| M. Flaherty      | Aye |
| A. Lennon        | Aye |

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
K. Hans