

APPROVED



Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy

Minutes

BVP Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday January 30, 2023 at 5:30 PM

Location

BVP High School
65 Macondray St.
Cumberland

Directors Present

B. Collins, D. Garcia, J. Almond, J. Morton, J. Silva, J. Souza, L. Kizekai, M. Rivera

Directors Absent

J. Mutter, J. Waters

Guests Present

B. Dowd, J. Anderson, J. Giraldo, M. DeMatteo, M. Emet, R. Boswell, S. Anderson, S. Bennetts

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

M. Rivera called a meeting of the board of directors of Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy to order on Monday Jan 30, 2023 at 5:32 PM.

C.

Approve Minutes from 12/12/22

J. Souza made a motion to approve the minutes from BVP Board Meeting on 12-12-22.

D. Garcia seconded the motion.

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

II. Recurring Items

A. CEO Report

S. Anderson discussed some important highlights from the CEO report, including:

- BVP has filed with the town of Cumberland to appeal the Planning Board's decision regarding the HS expansion
- BVP is working with legal counsel on the minor amendment to its charter regarding a lottery for current BVP 7th graders to enter BVP High School in their 9th grade year.
- BVP High School is working with High School scholars and families to complete FAFSA forms, with 67% already complete and more on the way.
- BVP's Charter renewal process is underway, and RIDE will be requesting interviews with Board members.

D. Garcia made a motion to accept the CEO report as included in the Board packet.

J. Silva seconded the motion.

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

B. CFO Report

C. Losea provided an overview of the CFO Report as included in the Board Packet.

- BVP is currently meeting all financial benchmarks, and is in a strong position going into the second half of the year
- BVP is working to identify alternative energy suppliers in order to save money, particularly on gas bills
- The School Social Work fund has raised \$11,000 this year, which was largely distributed to support families during the holiday season

J. Silva made a motion to accept CFO report as included in the Board packet.

J. Morton seconded the motion.

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

III. Previous Items

A. Strategic Planning Update

D. Garcia provided overview of the strategic plan process to date, including the process itself and the major questions and discussions that have arisen.

B. Organizational and CEO Goals

S. Bennetts provided updates on the goals, process, and outcomes of our culture initiative so far this year. Based on experience and to provide clarity, S. Anderson proposed a revision to the priority goal to ensure that in the **third trimester**, an average of 80% of classrooms in 6/6 schools have strong classroom culture as defined by BVP's school culture rubric.

J. Souza made a motion to accept revised priority goal.

D. Garcia seconded the motion.

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

IV. New Items

A. Nomination and Election of New Board Members

M. Garcia introduced Bradley Collins and Lindsay Kizekai to the Board.

J. Morton made a motion to elect B. Collins and L. Kizekai to the Board.

D. Garcia seconded the motion.

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

V. Executive Session

A. Enter Executive Session

J. Souza made a motion to enter Executive Session.

D. Garcia seconded the motion.

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

B. HS Expansion alternatives

C. Exit Executive Session

D. Garcia made a motion to exit Executive Session.

B. Collins seconded the motion.

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

D. Seal the minutes of Executive Session

J. Morton made a motion to seal the minutes of Executive Session.

J. Souza seconded the motion.

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

E. Report out from Executive Session

There were no votes taken during Executive Session.

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

J. Souza made a motion to adjourn.

J. Silva seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:49 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

B. Dowd