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# Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy

## Minutes

### BVP Board Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Monday April 29, 2024 at 5:30 PM

#### **Location**

BVP High School

65 Macondray St., Cumberland

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The Board reserves the right to take a vote on any item listed on this agenda.

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#### **Directors Present**

B. Collins, D. Garcia, J. Morton, J. Souza, J. Waters, L. Kizekai, L. Stack, M. Rivera

#### **Directors Absent**

J. Almond, J. Mutter

#### **Guests Present**

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

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### **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 Apr 29, 2024 at 5:32 PM.

### C. Approve Minutes from 2/26/24

D. Garcia made a motion to approve the minutes from BVP Board Meeting on 02-26-24.

J. Waters seconded the motion.

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

### D. Public Comment

No public comment.

## II. Recurring Items

### A. CEO Report

S. Anderson provided an overview of the CEO report as provided in the Board Packet

- 45% of local share from Central Falls will be withheld because of the Mayoral Academy trigger
- RIDE has granted BVP a timeline extension on 7th grade lottery, we have until June to share information about whether or not a lottery will be in effect for 9th grade in the 2025-26 school year.
- Our current 8th graders are celebrating High School choice; so far 145/166 have a HS commitment; of the scholars still on the waitlist, only 6 do not yet have a strong alternative at this time
- College signing day is coming up! BVP Seniors continue to receive many college acceptances, though it has been much different this year with FAFSA delays.

B. Collins made a motion to accept the CEO report as presented in the Board Packet.

D. Garcia seconded the motion.

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

### B. CFO Report

C. Losea provided an overview of important points from the CFO Report

- BVP is currently meeting/exceeding all required benchmarks
- Cash has been tighter than normal, partially because CRP had not yet been approved due to state-level delays. Cash should be going up over the coming weeks, and BVP will bill monthly for April and May to ensure more days cash on hand at the end of the year.

J. Souza made a motion to accept the 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. Governance Committee update**

The Governance Committee met on March 26.

- D. Garcia's current term will end June 30 and he will be up for reelection at the last Board meeting of the year.
- The committee discussed adding another person to deepen Board expertise and have a more beneficial number for quorum.
- The committee discussed the process for bringing on new members, including onboarding process leading to a vote, and a Board agreement for new members outlining the expected commitment of a BVP Board Member
- The committee discussed the nomination of Talia Mark to join BVP's Board, and will meet with her over the coming weeks.

#### **B. FY25 Draft Budget**

C. Losea noted that with many moving pieces this year, she is sharing a budget planning update rather than a draft for the Board to vote on. She presented highlights of the presentation included in the Board Packet.

### **IV. New Items**

#### **A. 2024-2025 Calendar**

D. Garcia made a motion to Accept the proposed SY 2024-25 calendar as included in the Board Packet.

B. Collins seconded the motion.

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

#### **B. High School Program of Studies**

S. Bennetts shared that the Program of Studies has been updated based on feedback from alumni and teachers; in particular it more clearly outlines credit requirements per grade level.

L. Stack made a motion to accept the program of studies as included in Board Packet.

J. Morton seconded the motion.

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

### **V. Executive Session**

#### **A. Vote to enter Executive Session**

D. Garcia made a motion to enter Executive Session.

L. Kizekai seconded the motion.

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

**B. Real Estate**

**C. Vote to return to open session**

**D. Vote to seal the minutes of Executive Session**

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

D. Garcia seconded the motion.

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

**E. Report on votes taken in Executive Session**

The Board took a vote that passed unanimously to accept a resolution relative to real estate.

**VI. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

B. Collins made a motion to adjourn.

J. Morton 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 7:08 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

B. Dowd