

APPROVED



Baconton Community Charter School

Minutes

BCCS Governing Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday September 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Location

Baconton Community Charter School
260 East Walton Street
Baconton, Georgia
Administrative Office

The Governing Board meets monthly at 6:00 PM in the Superintendent's Conference Room in the Main Building. Dates are noted on the calendar.

The Finance Committee meets monthly in advance of the regular board meeting to review financials.

The Student Affairs Committee receives monthly reports from campus leadership.

Directors Present

Benjamin Brooks, Brittany Shiver, Jenny Van Meter, John Hilliard, Rashelle Minix, Robert Frock, Sonya Williams, Stone Pinson

Directors Absent

Amber Manriquez, Shavonne Threatts

Ex Officio Members Present

Kate Von Glahn

Non Voting Members Present

Kate Von Glahn

Guests Present

Dustin Green, Kelly Rucker, LaJuana Smith, Larry Burkett, Mary Sullivan, Tinsley Brooks

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Jenny Van Meter called a meeting of the board of directors of Baconton Community Charter School to order on Tuesday Sep 16, 2025 at 6:00 PM.

C. Approve Agenda

Robert Frock made a motion to Approve Agenda.

Stone Pinson seconded the motion.

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

D. Approve Minutes

John Hilliard made a motion to approve the minutes from August 19, 2025.

Benjamin Brooks seconded the motion.

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

II. Finance Committee

A. BCCS Finance Reports

John Hilliard made a motion to Approve Finance Minutes.

Rashelle Minix seconded the motion.

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

B. Facility Update

Missy Harrod brought up unexpected large expenses that were unforeseen - A/C units at Blazer Life Center and update Windows System for school that is about to be out of date. Chromebooks and Firewall must be purchased. Title 1 Budget will cover Chromebook costs.

Ray Muggridge reached out about the Dollar General building but no response yet to our questions.

Bus quotes being discussed and researched. Quotes being searched out.

III. Student Affairs Committee

A. Student Affairs Monthly Reports

Enrollment sits a 1,005 students and cap is at 1,050. Strategic planning recommends BCCS increasing enrollment cap by 50 students possibly mid year. Nurse's clinic has been very busy. Flu shots coming to campus 9/25/25.

New program Go504 to help manage 504 plans, meetings, etc. The new school counselor, Raquel Ewings-Murray has helped implement this.

Mary Sullivan is the new McKinney-Vento coordinator.

School level reports:

LaJuana Smith said that middle school is having "rap sessions" with herself and the school counselor. These are opportunities for the students to communicate things that are on their mind. These will happen monthly through December. Benchmark testing has been completed and grade level meetings to review data and discuss improvements have already begun. 504 meetings have already begun and overall middle school is doing well.

Dustin Green said that high school is also done with benchmark testing. All students now have chromebooks. High school is soliciting ideas from students on ways to reach out to and serve our community. High school art painted a mural on the outside of the elementary art building using the VR sets that were purchased for this reason.

Missy Harrod spoke for Meredith Powell and said that elementary is pleased with the data they are receiving and the reading rallies went very well. Those events raised money for the library.

Kelly Rucker introduced a new service called Cartwheel that will be made available to our campus beginning 11/1/25. This will be a virtual counseling service available to our students with 25 referrals per school year. They offer care coordinators for our families and also counseling to our teachers. A statewide grant from the state will pay for this. It will be received monthly for a total of \$20,000 annually. This program bills both insurance and medicaid. The grant will cover non-insured costs for families. Participants will use Tina coalson's private testing room for appointments.

IV. Governance Committee

A. Governing Board Membership Update

There are three spots that will be open for re-election/new members- Kate Von Glahn's (she resigned December 2024) and John Hilliard's who is not seeking re election. Rashelle Minix' spot is up for re election and she is willing to serve another term. The Governing Board asked Kate Von Glahn to serve on the nominating committee. Rashelle Minix and Brittany Shiver both said they were willing to serve on the committee as well. (After review, Sonya Williams will serve on the committee rather than Rashelle Minix due to her term coming up on re election.)

Missy Harrod consulted with the SCSC and the BCCS attorney regarding electronic voting for board members and was told that our by-laws do not currently allow this. The annual meeting will be held next month on October 28, 2025 at 6:00pm. Stakeholders will vote on a slate of nominees presented by the nominating committee. At least 10 stakeholders need to be present and vote according to the by-laws.

The SCSC and the BCCS attorney advised the board that most charter schools do not allow stakeholders to vote but seek nominations only from them. It was discussed about potentially amending by-laws to reflect this change for next school year's elections. This year's elections will continue on as planned.

Rashelle Minix made a motion to approve the federal programs budget.

Brittany Shiver seconded the motion.

BCCS received approximately \$200,000 more than expected. This will be used for chromebooks needed.

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

B. Conflict Of Interest Forms

Conflict Of Interest forms were given out to board members and collected at the end of the meeting. Amber Manriquez and Shavonne Threatts will need theirs emailed to them since they were not in attendance.

V. Governance Board Training

A. Location of Trainings

Trainings will be in Macon and Atlanta. These are still not available for members to sign up for.

VI. Administrative Updates

A. Bell Wether

A draft of the potential model of strategic plan was presented to the board. This is an ongoing process for this year. Meetings are happening weekly with Admin.

VII. Board Member Comments and Concerns

A. Property Records

John Hilliard stated that he would like to see the property records cleaned up and borders properly recorded. He would like to see that cost put into the new budget and make certain that it is handled.

VIII. Executive Session

A. Enter into Executive Session

John Hilliard made a motion to enter into executive session.

Brittany Shiver seconded the motion.

For the purpose "To consult and meet with legal counsel pertaining to pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the school district or an officer or employee or in which the officer or employee may be directly involved" (OCGA 50-14-2)

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

Robert Frock made a motion to come out of executive session.

Rashelle Minix seconded the motion.

No action was taken.

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

IX. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kate Von Glahn

Documents used during the meeting

None

Monthly Schedule:

Finance-Board

August 12th-19th

September 9th-16th

October 21st-28th

November 11th-18th

December 16th-16th

January 13th-20th

February 24th-24th

March 10th-17th

April 14th-21st

May 12th-12th

June 9th-9th