

APPROVED



Brighter Choice Charter Schools

Minutes

Governance Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday March 11, 2021 at 8:30 AM

Committee Members Present

M. Snyder (remote), N. Velilla (remote), R. McLaughlin (remote), T. Hanmer (remote), Z. Nelson (remote)

Committee Members Absent

N. Maresca

Guests Present

K. Ford (remote), K. Mclean (remote), L. Licygiewicz (remote), Patrick Romain, S. Jahn (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

C. Approve Minutes

R. McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes from Governance Committee Meeting on 01-14-21.

N. Velilla seconded the motion.

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

D. Approve minutes

R. McLaughlin made a motion to approve the minutes from Governance Committee Meeting on 02-11-21.

N. Velilla seconded the motion.

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

II. Governance

A. Patrick Romain/Introductions

Prospective Trustee, Patrick Romain, introduced himself to the Board and heard from Board members about the structure and expectations of members.

T. Hanmer made a motion to recommend Patrick Romain as Trustee of the Brighter Choice Elementary Schools. Robert McLaughlin seconded the recommendation.

B. School Recruitment/Marketing Update

T. Hanmer described activities of the school recruitment and marketing task force
Luke described marketing materials that are nearing completion.

K. McLean described the Family Referral Program for enrollment enhancement in hopes that more families make personal recommendations by word of mouth.

C. Boys' School Update

K. McLean described enrollment for current time as well as Fall '21. She explained that most families are enrolling due to word of mouth from friends or family. K. McLean described the upward trend of special populations within the Boy's school. There are no students with disabilities graduating this year.

K. McLean described her initiative ("Think Tank") to pull ideas from teachers and staff who appreciate being included in decision making within the school

K. McLean described outreach to Henry Johnson Charter School 4th graders to fill our 5th grade spots (boys and girls) for the fall.

COVID update, one staff member has completed their isolation and has returned after a positive test.

For the third trimester the chosen modalities from T2 will continue for families with a few changes.

K. McLean explained the responses from faculty about their willingness to teach summer school.

K. McLean described the activities that celebrated Black History Month with a theme of "Family"

D. Girls' School Update

K. Ford reported on enrollment and net stability of total enrollment. She reported on Fall 21 enrollment as well as special populations. The school is graduating 4 students with disabilities this year. She described the status of teachers and staff who are vaccinated or have appointments.

Grades K-5 have begun an intervention based program for literacy to enhance existing programming.

Currently there are 5 faculty who are interested in teaching a summer school program. K. Ford reported on staffing changes due to a teacher returning to the district.

K Ford described Women's History Month activities for the scholars.

E. Summer school

Currently there are 5 faculty at the Girls' school who are interested in teaching a summer school program. The board discussed what summer school structure might be attractive to families. A further discussion that includes our financial team is being scheduled as soon as practicable.

III. 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 9:51 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. Snyder