



BASSE

Minutes

Bryan Allen Stevenson School of Excellence Board of Directors meeting

Date and Time Tuesday May 27, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Location

The meeting takes place online at the Conference URL link below. Additionally, as needed members can attend in person at the Bryan Allen Stevenson School of Excellence building, 20346 Ennis Street Georgetown, DE 19947.

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As needed participants can also meet in person at 20346 Ennis Street Georgetown, DE 19947 to join the online meeting.

Directors Present

A. Shepherd (remote), C. Ellis (remote), D. Snyder (remote), J. Cantiello (remote), J. Kim (remote), J. Powell (remote), K. Cauley (remote), K. Higgins (remote), S. Burton (remote), S. Hailey (remote), T. Berry (remote)

Directors Absent

B. Renzo, J. Fried

Guests Present

Alonna Berry (remote), Brian Moore (remote), brandon.paris@pca.k12.de.us (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

T. Berry called a meeting of the board of directors of BASSE to order on Tuesday May 27, 2025 at 6:01 PM.

C. Approve Minutes from March 25, 2025

A. Shepherd made a motion to approve minutes from April 2025 Board meeting.

D. Snyder seconded the motion.

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

II. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

A. Shepherd made a motion to go into executive session of the Board.

J. Kim seconded the motion.

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

D. Snyder made a motion to return from Executive session to the public meeting of the Board.

J. Kim seconded the motion.

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

III. Board Chair Report

A. General Announcements and Updates

US Supreme affirmed Charter Schools are public. Religious Charter Schools are unconstitutional.

State budget about to finalized.

July 31 is Charter School Summit in Orlando, Florida.

This is the 30th year of Charter Schools in DE, and a number of special events are planned.

Stay tuned.

IV. School Staff Reports

A. School Leader Report

Brian reported on numbers of kids in the building and numbers of competed applications coming to a total of 173. We are still a bit low but making steady progress. Work has progressed with planning for next year, looking at different scenarios for different numbers of kids in each grade in order to meet requirements of DOE for staffing, scheduling and classes.

Several events coming up: a field trip to the Shore Bords opening game, a field day, and the promotion ceremony for eighth graders moving into the ninth grade.

Brian is working with potential partners who would be in the building this summer which would generate income through rent for BASSE.

V. Committee Reports

A. Community Outreach

Dr. Kim reported that we are post-postponing the golf outing fundraiser to Summer of 2026 when we are better prepared to staff and organize.

Meanwhile we will look to identify other fundraising opportunities.

Karen Higgins reminds the Board we should do the popcorn fundraiser and both Kate and Dr. Berry agreed to assist.

B. Development Committee Report

Kate reviewed activity in the grants arena, having submitted two grants to date and one is on target for submission May 31: 1) Ed Prize grant to support the Personal Learning Plan at BASSE; POSDC Mini grant to support the Home BASSE Safe Space program; and 3) Highmark BCBSD Blue Print Large Gant to support CHWs on the staff at BASSE. There are other grants in the pipeline as well as other fundraising efforts already underway.

C. Education Committee Report

D. Land and Construction Committee Report

E. Finance Committee Report

The Board needs to review the following documents: Review the March 2025 financial report and vote to accept or reject. Review the March 2025 CBOC meeting minutes and vote to accept or reject. Review the April 2025 CBOC report and vote to accept or reject. Review the April 2025 CBOC meeting minutes and vote to accept or reject. J. Kim made a motion to approve CBOC web report from March and April.

D. Snyder seconded the motion.

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

There was discussion around the March, April and May minutes for the CBOC meeting. Kate got confused about which minutes we were approving, and then the group was reminded that technically, the only thing the Board had to approve was the web report, so not vote was taken on the minutes, which will be posted as reviewed.

F. Governance Committee Report

VI. New Business

A. Changes to Proximate Account

There was brief discussion about changing the signers on the Proximate account, but Karen raised concerns that such actio would require a vote of the Proximate Board. Concensus could not be reached about whether this was necessary without further information and a review of Proximate and Board meeting minutes prior to September 2024.

The motion was tabled.

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

A. Shepherd made a motion to adjourn.

D. Snyder seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** 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 7:21 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, K. Cauley

Pursuant to 29 Del. C. § 10004 e (2), the agenda is subject to change to include additional items including executive sessions that arise at the time of the Board's meeting. The Board of the Bryan Allen Stevenson School of Excellence reserves the right to hear any matter out of its order during the meeting. The Board may take breaks during the meeting.