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## Great Oaks Charter School - Bridgeport

### Minutes

#### Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Wednesday October 5, 2016 at 5:15 PM

**Location**

Great Oaks Charter School; 510 Barnum Ave (2nd Floor Conference Room)

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Great Oaks Charter School of Bridgeport's October board meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 5th at 5:15 pm on the second floor of the school at 510 Barnum Ave. This meeting will serve as the annual meeting of the board

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**Directors Present**

Amy Marshall, Dexter Upshaw (remote), Ed Farrow, Leticia Sepulveda, Pamela Fraser-Abder, Susan Briggs, Tamara Smith (remote)

**Directors Absent**

*None*

**Directors who arrived after the meeting opened**

Ed Farrow

**Directors who left before the meeting adjourned**

Dexter Upshaw

**Guests Present**

Michael McGregor, Monica Maccera Filppu, Rashaun Reid, Rick Iandoli, Shana Hurley

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## I. Opening Items

### A. Record Attendance and Guests

### B. Call the Meeting to Order

Susan Briggs called a meeting of the board of directors of Great Oaks Charter School - Bridgeport to order on Wednesday Oct 5, 2016 at 5:25 PM.

### C. Approve Minutes

Pamela Fraser-Abder made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 09-14-16 Board Meeting on 09-14-16.

Tamara Smith seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

Ed Farrow	Aye
Dexter Upshaw	Aye
Tamara Smith	Aye
Amy Marshall	Abstain
Susan Briggs	Aye
Pamela Fraser-Abder	Aye
Leticia Sepulveda	Aye

Ed Farrow arrived.

## II. Governance and Policy

### A. Annual Meeting: Confirmation of Board members and clarification of terms

Dexter Upshaw left.

Great Oaks - Bridgeport is exploring a prospective member of the board with fundraising experience.

### B. Annual Meeting: Election of Officers

Amy Marshall made a motion to accept the board slate as noted in the agenda.

Leticia Sepulveda seconded the motion.

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

### C. Annual Meeting: Confirmation of Committees for SY 16-17

L. Sepulveda graciously volunteered to lead the development committee.

S. Briggs recommended an ad hoc Facilities Committee. Discussion ensued and will be continued at the next Academic Committee meeting.

### D.

## **Discussion of Proposed changes to bylaws**

### **III. Facilities and Finance**

#### **A. Report from the Finance Committee**

A. Marshall inquired about the prospects for a high school facility. Several options, including co-locating with the middle school and splitting the locations, are being considered. Discussion ensued.

#### **B. Discussion on funding of new facility**

A. Marshall motioned to enter executive session at 5:32 to discuss the on-going negotiations with respect to the long-term space. L. Sepulveda seconded the motion. The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

A. Marshall motioned to exit executive session at 6:15. S. Briggs seconded the motion. The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

### **IV. Academic Excellence**

#### **A. Report of the Academic Committee**

The Academic Committee will meet in October to discuss the Great Oaks model for high school.

### **V. Report from the Executive Director**

#### **A. Dashboard Review**

#### **B. Review of staff demographics**

M. Maccera provided an overview of the demographics of the Great Oaks team. GO-BPT is proud of the diversification of its staff. At GO-BPT, 44% of teachers, 56% of Tutor Corps Members and 69% of the administrative staff identify as people of color.

#### **C. Review of student enrollment data**

S. Hurley provided student demographic data from the September 30 PSIS snapshot date. With 325 students in grades 6 through 8, GO-BPT is in its first year as a full-scale middle school. GO-BPT continues to over-represent the state and Bridgeport Public Schools averages for English Language Learners and identified special education students.

## VI. Closing Items

### A. Adjourn Meeting

Pamela Fraser-Abder made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Tamara Smith 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,  
Shana Hurley