



# Great Oaks Charter School - Bridgeport

## **Minutes**

# **Board Meeting**

### **Date and Time**

Wednesday October 5, 2016 at 5:15 PM

#### Location

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

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

### **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 landoli, Shana Hurley

#### 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**

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