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BUTLER ACADEMY

Butler Academy

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday June 4, 2025 at 5:30 PM

Location
Virtual

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1. review the CEO and VP evaluation memos
2. 1st reading of the budget for next year (2 readings are required)
3. facilities brainstorming

Trustees Present
A. Morris (remote), D. Buryj (remote), E. Mobley (remote), E. Waters (remote), H. Hoilett-Frierson (remote), K. Flaherty (remote), M. Bunnell (remote), M. Stellingworth (remote), S. Hill (remote), S. Wilson (remote)

Trustees Absent
C. Robinson

Guests Present
J. Reyes (remote)

I. Opening Items

A.

Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

K. Flaherty called a meeting of the board of trustees of Butler Academy to order on Wednesday Jun 4, 2025 at 5:31 PM.

C. Approve May Minutes

S. Wilson made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 05-21-25.
E. Waters seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Facility

A. High School plans

There are agreements with Coker for dual enrollment for Mandarin as well as concert band for example. Florence Darlington Technical College has a one year agreement to use their facility at Swift Creek Campus along with dual enrollment in some subjects. 9th grade Math, English and Science will continue to be on Butler academy campus. For logistics, BA has purchased 2 additional buses and have part time bus drivers. Working on a joint permission form for families to allow their scholars to be on college campuses. Will check with Veris about whether the insurance quotes include due diligence of transporting high school students in an education circuit between facilities.
It was recognized that with dual enrolment, scholars and families who embrace this opportunity will have an expectation of college skills including managing different institutional email addresses and learning platforms.
The board recognizes that looking beyond 9th grade while feasible right now will be affected by the budget for 2025-2026 and changes in legislature.

III. Finance

A. 1st read of budget 2025-2026

The Treasurer highlighted items in the budget with significant changes. Local funding budget does increase by 12%. State revenue is expected to increase with student enrollment increase by 13%.
There was a question of a change in instructional services of 91%- will verify with our accounting firm as to whether this is a typographical error or a change in categorization. Contracted services is also budgeted to be 25% higher next year, however, the loan for operational supplies including furniture loans and food services is expected to be paid off this year.

Plan for a 2nd read of the budget by next meeting June 18th.

IV. Executive Session

A. Review VP of Operations and CEO Annual Evaluation

Motion to move into executive session made at 626pm.
Motion to move out of executive session was made at 642pm.

No action was taken.
The evaluation committee will proceed to schedule meetings to discuss the memos with the CEO and VP of Operations.

V. 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 6:43 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. Bunnell