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Brevard Academy

Minutes

October Board Meeting

Work Session and Regular Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday October 18, 2023 at 5:00 PM

Location

Brevard Academy Music Room

Mission:

The Mission of Brevard Academy is to prepare its students to achieve academic excellence through the Core Knowledge Sequence. Through a partnership involving students, teachers, and parents the school strives to create citizens with strong moral character and active intellectual inquiry.

Vision:

Brevard Academy: A Challenge Foundation Academy (BA-CFA) a K-8 public charter school develops and encourages motivated, intellectually curious students who are skilled in critical thinking, individual expression, and problem-solving. From their diverse backgrounds, students accept our challenge to pursue personal and academic excellence. Through this pursuit, they become confident members of their community who lead by serving others.

Strategic Goals:

1. Ensure Academic Success for Every Student
2. Provide Effective & Innovative Learning Environments
3. Recruit, Hire and Retain Highly Effective Personnel
4. Use Resources Effectively & Be Fiscally Responsible

5. Engage Our Communities

Directors Present

Jamie Atkinson, Jennifer Silva, Lyndsay Sluder, Mark Campanini, Mark Franklin, Paul Cooper

Directors Absent

Joel Malefyt

Ex Officio Members Present

Ted Duncan

Non Voting Members Present

Ted Duncan

I. Work Session

A. Work session called to order at 5:02 pm.

Ted Duncan led the board in a training session on open meeting laws.
The group discussed the consent agenda items.

II. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Mark Campanini called a meeting of the board of directors of Brevard Academy to order on Wednesday Oct 18, 2023 at 5:35 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

Jamie Atkinson made a motion to approve the minutes from September Board Meeting on 09-20-23.

Paul Cooper seconded the motion.

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

D. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge led by Ted Duncan.

E. Student Spotlight

Ella Wilde is a new student at BA and is in the travel band and played a song for the board and visitors.

F. Staff Spotlight

Mr. Gardner gave the board an update on the arts department at Brevard Academy. There are many field trips planned for the remainder of the year and have already three trips. There are new afternoon electives being offered to students. There are art and music showcases planned for December 7th and April 25th on the campus of Brevard College, this will also be the time when the student TED talks take place. Derrick also shared with the group that the middle school band received their second-year grant from the Peter March Foundation to play in the community and senior living facilities. Jenny Geer-Hardwick shared her excitement on recent projects with various grades, including the middle schoolers making their "tiny worlds."

G. Opportunity for Public Comment

No comment.

III. Committee Reports

A. Finance

Paul Cooper presents financials. We are currently on a projection of running a deficit- this is as a result of a lower attendance than was projected out. This is not currently a major issue but is something that the board needs to be aware of as we progress throughout the year.

B. Governance and Policy

The committee is recommending first reads:

Volunteer Policy

Sex Offender Policy

Parents Bill of Rights Compliance Policy

C. Facilities

Jen Silva shared updates from the facilities committee. We received a modified site plan that included new bus parking area. The group discussed new playground location and possible ADA requirements.

The decision has been made that the middle school wing HVAC wiring does need to be re-done.

D. Development

Lyndsay Sluder shares upcoming events in the community to begin advertising the new arts building. This includes the Christmas Parade. There will also be a "birthday party" fundraiser that will include a silent auction, this will take place sometime in March.

E. Long Range Planning

Update that Margie Rackley stepped down from the board due to lack of time for commitments- we are grateful for her service on the board.

IV. Director Report

A. Director Report

See the director report link.

V. Items for Board Approval

A. Committee Consent Items

Jamie Atkinson made a motion to approve the committee consent items.

Paul Cooper seconded the motion.

The state provides emergency funding to help with the cost of the one-on-one for the EC student who was not in attendance at the school last year.

The removal of the trees will be covered by a budgeted line item.

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

VI. Other Business

A. Strategic Planning and Discussion

Ted Duncan wanted to remind the board that the strategic plan will expire at the end of this year. Jamie Atkinson and Mark Campanini will work together to discuss a plan moving forward.

B. Announcement of Next Meeting

Next meeting will be November 15th, 2023.

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Jamie Atkinson made a motion to adjourn.

Mark Franklin seconded the motion.

None.

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 7:14 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jamie Atkinson

Documents used during the meeting

None

This meeting is a public meeting of the BA-CFA Board in public for the purpose of conducting the School Corporation's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There will be time for public participation as indicated on the agenda.