



## BELIEVE STL Academy

### Minutes

#### Board Meeting

5PM CST

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#### Date and Time

Tuesday September 24, 2024 at 4:00 PM

#### Location

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87864083978?pwd=aVI2R0N0NnFGT3dDTs4ZU0tCZ0dVdz09>

#### Directors Present

L. Voellinger (remote), M. Hantak (remote), M. Johnson (remote), P. Woods (remote), S. Harmon (remote), S. Williams (remote), T. Wells (remote)

#### Directors Absent

D. Thomas, J. Boone, K. Martin-Johnson, T. Jordan

#### Guests Present

T. Vonderheit (remote)

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#### I. Opening Items

##### A. Record Attendance

##### B. Call the Meeting to Order

M. Hantak called a meeting of the board of directors of BELIEVE STL Academy to order on Tuesday Sep 24, 2024 at 5:05 PM.

## II. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

### A. August Meeting Minutes

M. Hantak made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 08-27-24.

M. Johnson seconded the motion.

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

## III. Principal Report (Academic, Culture, Data, etc)

### A. Academic

- 7 out of 100 seats open for 9th grade; all 25 seats filled for 10th grade
- PreACT + PreACT 8/9 Testing completed; 100% tested for PreACT; 100% tested for Capti Assess
- Goldfarb simulation labs- offered several Wednesdays for students to go to the lab
  - Will be in 2 shifts of 50 students
  - Students will receive certification
- Had a new hire resign 9/22
  - looking for composition/humanities teacher

### B. Culture

Bloomberg will be onsite October 8 & 9

Programs/Partnerships

- Goldfarb School of Nursing
- BJC
- St. Louis Community College

### C. Data, Other, Etc.

- Transportation issues: one bus that was purchased will need \$10k in repairs

## IV. Old Business

### A. BJC Ribbon Cutting

- Monday, September 16 BJC Foundation ribbon cutting was a success
- Great turn out from the community

### B. Permanent School Building

Gateway Hubert Wheeler building on Harris Stowe campus will be the new permanent location for BELIEVE STL Academy

- has all amenities needed, will need some minor cosmetic tweaks
- hoping for Fall 2025 occupancy

## V. Committee Updates

### A. Finance Committee

Finance Committee Lead: Danielle Thomas

- Finance committee met in September

### B. Academic Committee

Committee Lead: Tiara Jordan

- committee has not met yet

### C. Development Committee

Committee Lead: Madeline Hantak

- committee has not met yet

### D. Governance Committee

Committee Lead: Steven Harmon

- committee has not met yet

## VI. Other Items

### A. Vote on contracting Mental Ease Counseling LLC

- See 5 kids a week at \$50/hour- \$10k or less contract over the 10 months of school year
- One of the board members companies

S. Harmon made a motion to Approve contracting with Mental Ease Counseling LLC at no more than \$1000 a month to provide necessary services for students.

L. Voellinger seconded the motion.

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

## VII. 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 5:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
M. Hantak