

APPROVED



BELIEVE STL Academy

Minutes

January 2024 Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday January 28, 2025 at 5:00 PM

Location

BELIEVE Academy

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87864083978?pwd=aVI2R0N0NnFGT3dDTs4ZUtCZ0dVdz09>

Directors Present

J. Boone, M. Hantak (remote), M. Johnson (remote), P. Woods, S. Williams (remote), T. Wells (remote)

Directors Absent

D. Thomas, K. Martin-Johnson, L. Voellinger, S. Harmon

Guests Present

H. Harshman (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

P. Woods called a meeting of the board of directors of BELIEVE STL Academy to order on Tuesday Jan 28, 2025 at 5:06 PM.

C. CMO Staff Update - Board Liaison Role Introduction

II. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes - November

A. Approve November Board Meeting Minutes

P. Woods made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 11-18-24.

M. Hantak seconded the motion.

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

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

A. Academic, Culture, Data, etc.

Academic

Current Enrollment: 103

Semester 1 Schoolwide GPA 2.62

- Students with lower than a 2.0 will have mandatory office hours

Upcoming Enrollment

- 41 applications received; 12 completed packets

Talent/Hiring

- Composition/Humanities Vacancy

State of Believe Highlights

- Initiative for clubs
- Culture
 - wins- self advocacy for open seat/one sensible solution; level up celebrations; increasing student investment throughout the semester
 - challenges- consistently upholding expectations; missing OpenSeat appointments; ladder of consequences; apprehension around communication with both students and parents
- Operations
 - wins- fully transportation team, 3/4 running buses- 1 borrowed, Bloomberg, front office coordinator, 25-26 enrollment statistics
 - challenges- facilities, director of operations, attendance taken on time and accurate, infinite campus, lunch service
- Early college & career
 - wins- student investment, partner engagement
 - challenges- systems & processes, understanding of ECC goals, expansion of partnerships

- **Academics**

- wins- on target for schoolwide GPA goal, math growth (double blocked math), high engagement (invested in school work/what is happening)
- challenges- reading growth, data driven instruction-standards mastery (teachers owning and tracking individual students), accountability/meeting deliverables

IV. Vote: Statement of Work with CMP

A. Vote to Accept the Statement of Work with CMP (Facilities)

S. Williams made a motion to accept the Statement of Work with CMP Facilities.

M. Hantak seconded the motion.

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

V. Committee Updates

A. Finance Committee

Prepping for first audit in March.

B. Academic Committee

C. Development Committee

D. Governance Committee

VI. Closing Items

A. Upcoming Deadlines

Facilities Update

- Set to close somewhere around March 5-15
- Completed HKW schematic design on Jan. 3
 - apply for permits Feb. 28
 - anticipated permit date of March 31
- BSI Constructors onboard- estimate for \$5M- waiting on second estimate
- Demo and construction hopefully- early Feb- July 15

B. New Board Members

P. Woods made a motion to add Lavar Douglas to the BELIEVE STL Board.

M. Johnson seconded the motion.

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

P. Woods made a motion to add Roy Whitley to the BELIEVE STL Board.

M. Johnson seconded the motion.

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

C. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

M. Hantak