

Minutes – For BCCS Board of Directors Meeting, December 17, 2025, held virtually via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 5:55 pm by Annie Scott

In Attendance:

Board: Olivia DeGennaro, Anthony Gay, Bryan Lewis, Kristian Rose, Carrie Scalzo, Annie Scott, Don Thompson, Maria Vega

Staff: Nancy Landona, Laura Main, Dr. Barbara Ruggiero

Guest: N/A

Absent: Subira Gordon (EX), Dr. Joe Johnson, Ana Rosa (EX),

Public comments: None at this time.

Consent Items:

- Minutes from November 2025 were distributed via email.
- Financials from October 2025 were distributed via email.

Motion to approve the consent items: Don Thompson; 2nd – Olivia DeGennaro.

Motion carries with 8 votes in Favor, 0 votes Against, 0 votes Abstain. Approved

Facilities updates

- Weather and Water Crisis in the city:
 - Discuss how the cold weather and current water crisis in the city impacted the schools, students, and their families.
 - Discuss challenges faced by community members.
 - Members of the board shared their experiences and concerns regarding the water quality, heating issues, and the decision to open schools despite ongoing challenges.
- Next steps to reopen the school:
 - Replace water filters once the city officials confirm it is safe.
 - Purchase bottles of water for student consumption in the classrooms.
 - Turn off all water fountains and cover them to prevent student use.
 - Encourage families to send students to school with their own water bottles and hand sanitizer, and for staff members as well.
 - Cancel the upcoming trip and inform the bus company.
 - Update and implement a food menu with items that do not require water for cleaning – following district and health department guidelines.
 - Maintain ongoing monitoring and water conservation efforts in accordance with city guidelines.
 - Plan for potential makeup days for missed school days due to this water crisis.

Director's Report:

- Discuss staffing updates, including transitions.
- Discuss challenges of managing a charter school and budget constraints.
- Laura mentioned that a positive meeting with TNTP was held regarding the reading comprehension and potential support from the Charter Office.

- Discuss the possibility of holding an open forum meeting for BCCS families in January regarding school concerns.

Other Business:

- Annie encouraged everyone to do check ins and discuss the ongoing water quality issues in the area.
- Also discuss the importance of focusing on the achievements of the BCCS students.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm

Motion to adjourned – Don Thompson; 2nd – Anthony Gay.

Next meeting: Wednesday, January 21 2026, at 5:30 pm via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted by: Ana Rosa