

Minutes – for BCCS Directors Meeting on March 21, 2018

Meeting called to order at 5:40 pm.

In attendance: **Meeting held telephonically due to snow**

Board: Andy Sternlieb, Joe Bizzozero, Annie Scott, Marianne Silva, Don Thompson, Courtney Baukhnecht, Christina Cruz, Jeanene Pocoski

Staff: Nancy Landona, Katie Parente, Barbara Ruggiero, Lily Zhao

Absent: Paul Whyte, Charlie Heaven, Cathy Smith, Nazia Rashid

Public Comment: none

Motion to February minutes – Don Thompson; 2nd – Annie Scott. Approved.

January financials were discussed. Still awaiting \$107,500 payment from the State from July charter school payment. Applied for disbursement of Title I monies. Report accepted.

At prior board meeting Barbara and Nancy requested Board approval to add two positions – positions not yet filled

Motion to approve FYE June 2017 audit – Joe Bizzozero - 2nd Christina Cruz. Approved

Board training – New Board members attended 1st training in March. Next session will be at BCCS in April.

Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss facilities negotiations – Joe Bizzozero; 2nd – Courtney Bauknecht. Approved.

Board went into Executive Session at 5:45.

Motion to end Executive Session and return to order of business – Joe Bizzozero; 2nd – Jeanene Pocoski. Approved.

Board returned to order of business at 6:04.

NAEYC site visit will happen on Friday March 23.

Desi Nesmith from CSDE visited the school in preparation for State Board of Education meeting regarding BCCS charter renewal. Because of snow meeting delayed until May 2. SDE recommending 4 year renewal. Desi was very impressed with our science program (observed a Kindergarten class) and asked Courtney to present to a consortium of schools – a sharing of best practices between charters and district schools – and discuss our science program.

BCCS was recognized by WPS SpEd department for the work we do with disabled students.

Barbara attended a conference at the CT Community Foundation about strategies for increasing diversity and minority representation on non-profit boards. We will put this on the agenda for the next meeting.

The board agreed to organize a facilitated strategic planning meeting for the fall. Details to be worked out.

The lottery was held on Thursday March 15 and was conducted by Nancy, Andy and Daniele. There were 426 entrants. 11 siblings got preference for prek, 20 students accepted per the lottery. 3 seats held in reserve and will be awarded if no

other siblings. Total waitlist for the school is 395. Families have until April 15 to accept, otherwise spot goes to first person on waitlist.

Meeting adjourned at 6:28.

Next Meeting Wednesday, April 18, 2018 @ 5:30 pm

Executive Committee meeting Wednesday, April 18, 2018 @ 8:00 am

Respectfully submitted by: Andy Sternlieb