

Minutes – For BCCS Board of Directors Meeting, May 18, 2022, held virtually via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 5:37pm pm by Annie Scott

In Attendance:

Board: Anthony Gay, Jonathan Gotterer, Charles Heaven, Jeanine Pocoski, Ana Rosa, Annie Scott, Lauren Stumpf, Olivia Tangredi, Maria Vega, Kristin White

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

Guest: Laura Callachan

Absent: Noreen Buckley, Don Thompson,

Motion to amend agenda to add Sick Time PTO Policy revision as item 3.

Motion to approve – Ana Rosa; 2nd – Anthony Gay. Approved

Public comments: None at this time.

Consent Items:

Minutes from April 27, 2022, meeting were distributed via email.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes – Ana Rosa; 2nd – Olivia Tangredi. Approved

Financials from March 2022, were distributed via email.

Financials dated March 2022 were presented by Charles Heaven / Nancy Landona:

- Revenue and Expense sheets includes the total for roof replacement
- Balance Sheet: accounts payable higher than normal due to roof liability
- Revenue and Expense sheet: City of Wtby SpEd Reimbursement not paid yet.

Motion to approve – Lauren Stumpf; 2nd – Ana Rosa. Approved

Vacation/Sick time PTO policy revision:

- Adjustments made to aligned with new electronic payroll accrual system and in compliance with State laws.
- Allocation changed but not the time allowed to be accrued.
- Added payout of unused vacation time when separation occurs.

Motion to approve new/revised Sick Time PTO policy – Charles Heaven; 2nd – Anthony Gay. Approved

Director's Report:

- Facility Issues: gate needs repair, a new drain seems to have caused a sinkhole needing further review, old rectory wall leaks-needs to do further inspection to find the cause.

- Covid: 9 staff members were out; it has been challenging with percentages across the state increasing.
- Give local fundraising reached the \$10,935; Huge thanks to everyone who made this possible.
- Certification & staff: State of CT has been slow processing certification for teachers in a timely manner. May cause renewal flags for next year. All teaching staff certification needs to be in compliance. Charter school renewal and NAEYC (Early Childhood) accreditation applications are both due in September.
- Explored the possibility for RFP for new charter school talks and what it entails.
 - Instead of doing an RFP, a better option is the possibility of increasing number of seats/grade if the proposal is submitted by April 1st. If increasing by more than 20% need to wait 2 years. If less than 20% increase, may do in 1 year. Mayor is supportive but BCCS needs to consider space and what's available.
 - Direct replication of BCCS and share resources, then no need for an RFP.
- SCSU-new possible collaboration that may lead to creating a direct channel to obtain student teachers, could provide research opportunities, a possible on-site class for Master's credit, still in early planning state.
- Partnership with Grace Baptist Church- Judge Mosley brought 25 students from 7/8th grade for a field trip to the courthouse. Students are learning lots of information and being exposed to the opportunities that are out there for them. This summer Granville Academy is collaborating with BCCS and invited students to Saturday Boot Camp.
- BCCS 8th grade graduation will take place June 17th at 3pm at the park.

Other business:

Laura Callahan-

- Working with Pastor Reese to do a trusted messenger presentation for the community about choice school on June 12.
- Legislative session ended and the unify funding bill did not pass but it did move forward.
- Other charter schools exploring the possibility of Waterbury as their location possibly for a high school.

Last month new construction with Building B was mentioned for 2/3rd floor handicap accessible restroom. Doesn't look like a good idea to do the bathrooms now based on current plans. Should wait 1 more year since it will change.

Meeting adjourned at 6:41pm

Motion to approve— Ana Rosa; 2nd – Jeanine Pocoski. Approved.

Next meeting Wednesday, June 15, 2022, 5:30pm

Respectfully submitted by: Ana Rosa