

Minutes – for BCCS Directors Meeting on November 18, 2020 held virtually on Zoom

Meeting called to order at 5:33 pm by Barbara Ruggiero.

In attendance:

Board: Courtney Bauknecht, Joe Bizzozero, Christina Cruz, Anthony Gay, Charles Heaven, Ana Rosa, Annie Scott, Maria Vega

Staff: Nancy Landona, Katie Parente, Barbara Ruggiero, Lily Zhao, Laura Callachan (CT Charter Network)

Guests: (kindergarten staff) Emily Bees, Nadia Dennis, Jillian Pizzo, Lynn Wilczewski

Absent: Jeanine Pocoski, Don Thompson

There were no public comments.

Joe Bizzozero arrived and took over as chair of the meeting at 5:36.

Minutes of the October meeting were distributed via email.

- Motion to approve minutes – Charles Heaven; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Christina Cruz. Approved unanimously.

Annie Scott arrived and took over as chair of the meeting.

Financials dated September 30 were presented by Charles Heaven and Nancy Landona.

- Motion to approve – Annie Scott; 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ana Rosa. Approved unanimously.

Katie Parente commended the kindergarten team for outstanding work in adapting the kindergarten program to COVID conditions. Teachers explained their daily schedules and how the team is working to meet student needs.

Director's Report:

- COVID update: Due to a positive case in the school, the cafeteria and most of the office and administrative staff were quarantined on November 6. Coupled with the fact that almost half of the classrooms were also quarantined at the same time due to various exposures both at school and within families, the school went to fully remote learning during the week of November 9.

On the evening of November 16, Waterbury Public Schools announced immediate widespread closures due to community spread. At BCCS, four additional classrooms moved to fully remote on the 17<sup>th</sup> due to new COVID exposure within the school. We were scheduled to go to fully remote after Thanksgiving. We moved that date up to today. As of tomorrow, November 19, BCCS will be fully remote until January 19. Materials were assembled and sent home with students who were in school today, and materials pickup times for remote students are being scheduled.

- The clinic provided flu shots to students and staff in November.
- We are moving from iReady to NWEA testing. The first round of testing has begun.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 PM.

Next Meeting Wednesday, December 16, 2020 5:30 pm

Respectfully submitted by: Nancy Landona