

Minutes – For BCCS Board of Directors Meeting, November 20, 2024, held virtually via Zoom

Meeting called to order at 5:36 pm by Ana Rosa

In Attendance:

Board: Anthony Gay, Ana Rosa, Annie Scott, Don Thompson,

Staff: Nancy Landona, Dr. Barbara Ruggiero

Guest: N/A

Absent: Olivia DeGennaro(EX), Jonathan Gotterer (EX), Subira Gordon, Dr. Joe Johnson, Lauren Stumpf, Maria Vega

Public comments: None at this time.

Quorum not met – Meeting considered informational.

Consent Items:

- Financials from August 2024 & September 2024 were distributed via email.

No Vote – Taken due to lack of quorum.

Nancy's Report:

All financials tracking well so far. Received 1st funds from the remainder of the ESSER and expenses all up-to-date.

Board Membership Update: Reached out to two prospective candidates and waiting to hear back from them.

Director's Report:

- Update on Special Education – in terms of the earlier ruling that stated the city would provide reasonable services, all districts in state filed a brief saying reasonable does not equal actual. Also, sending districts are fighting back saying CSDE went above their authority when that ruling took place. Attorney is filing a brief. In term of sped, the City has not provided us with a teacher for middle school students, a few paras, as well as a speech therapist.
- Nutrition-administrative review, Mon-Tues state visited in for the review. Last review took place in 2017. A follow up meeting is scheduled for Dec. 2 to review any findings/suggestions.
- Kindergarten visited Common Ground and enjoyed the trip. Students made pizzas using items from Farm to table.
- End of term is before Thanksgiving.
- Partnership with WSO -Waterbury Symphony to do an afterschool program. Great response so far from parents. Possible start with 50 students. 3 days a week with offerings such as choir, violin, & bucket band, Will do trial run from January till end of year. WSO came in to take inventory of instruments that BCCS already has. Program will run 3:30pm-5:30pm and parents have to provide transportation.

Other Business:

Handicap lift placed in Bldg C, is down at the moment and plans to get it running again are in motion.

At the moment no students are being affected but this is a priority. Will need a quote in the meantime on how much is going to cost. Nancy will also reach out to Montagno.

Meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm

Next meeting: Tuesday, December 18, 2024, at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Ana Rosa