

**Bridges Preparatory Board of Directors
Minutes of the Monthly Board Meeting, 2/16/2021
Held at Bridges Preparatory Main Campus, 555 Robert Smalls Parkway, Beaufort SC
29906**

Board Member Attendance

	Name	Office	Present	Absent	Arrived Late	Departed Early
1	Tom Angelo	Board Chair	x			
2	Rebecca Polk	Vice Chair	x			
3	Chris Ketchie	Director	x			
4	Bryan Merrick	Director	x			
5	Jon Brown	Secretary	x			
6	Mark Rennix	Director		x		
7	David Gault	Director	x			
8	Joe Cooper	Director	x			
9	Gordon Sproul	Director	x			

Staff Members in Attendance: Gary McCulloch, Caroline Lovell, Kelly Masotti, John Kabel, Latoya Scott

Others in Attendance: Virtual attendance

A. CALL TO ORDER, ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

- a. Upon determining the presence of a quorum, Chairman Angelo called the meeting to order at 5:39pm.
- b. MOTION made by Vice Chair Polk to enter executive session, seconded by Director Ketchie, motion carried.

B. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Section 30-4-70(a)(1) Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee, a student, or a person regulated by a public body or the appointment of a person to a public body.
- b. Section 30-4-70(a)(2) Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property, the receipt of legal advice where the legal advice relates to a pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege, settlement of legal claims, or the position of the public agency in other adversary situations involving the assertion against the agency of a claim.

C. MOTION made by Director Gault to end executive session, seconded by Director Polk, motion carried.

D. PUBLIC MEETING

a. MISSION STATEMENT

- i. The Bridges Preparatory Mission Statement was recited aloud by Chairman Angelo.

b. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

c. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

- i. Chairman Angelo stated that the media was notified of the meeting, including the listing on the BPS website and at all campus locations. It was done within the 24 hour

requirement.

d. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

- i. **MOTION** made by Director Sproul to adopt the agenda, seconded by Director Ketchie, motion carried.

e. CEO REPORT (Mr. McCulloch)

- i. We have had an amazing month since our last board meeting.
- ii. All students have returned and are in full swing in their 3rd quarter. Our staggered return has kept our case and quarantine counts down.
- iii. Positive Covid numbers are 0 staff and 7 students from the last board meeting to today.
- iv. Our 5th grade students attended the Kennedy Space Center. Our students enjoyed a personalized experience of America's progress and vision for space travel. They slept under the rockets and said this was the best field trip they ever had. Thank you Mrs. Madden and all the volunteers for putting this together.
- v. Today is a big day. Our 531 applicants will get the great news of either being awarded a seat or being put on our waitlist for next school year. Registration will go out tomorrow.
- vi. Our National Elementary Honors Society have done an excellent job of promoting Pennies For Patients. We have currently raised:\$3694.84. Great job students!
- vii. Our concrete games for the outdoor pavilion are caught in the snowstorms that are affecting everywhere, but here. They will be here next week.
- viii. Our students continue to shine in the classroom – we have had 68 tours to date, and we have completed our major tour season with the lottery today. The parents of all students that we tour, have the same comments of wishing that they could go back to school again.
- ix. Our current enrollment is 1064.

f. PTO REPORT (Kim Gardner)

- i. Moes Spirit Night coming up
- ii. Glowcountry Spirit night
- iii. March 9th meeting about Block Party

g. ATHLETICS REPORT (Blake Gruel, AD)


- i. Our golf tournament is in 2 and a half weeks. If you would like to sign up for the tournament, you can do so on-line. It is going to be a great event on March 6th.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT (Tom Angelo)

- ii. Still moving along with building and other items
- iii. Rain has slowed us up a little with building but moving along.

- h. **TREASURER'S REPORT (Joe Cooper)**
 - i. Treasurer Cooper presented the financial report for the month of November, the details of which are available on a separate document.
 - ii. **MOTION** made by Director Polk to accept the January financials report, seconded by Director Sproul, motion passed without dissent.
- i. **CHARTER RENEWAL REPORT**
 - i. Met on February 4th.
 - ii. No recommendations
- j. **ANNOUNCEMENTS / GOOD OF THE ORDER**
 - i. Director Polk thanked all who had worked on the budget
- k. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - i. **MOTION** made by Director Gault to approve the minutes from the January 19, 2021 and February 9, 2021 meeting, seconded by Director Ketchie, motion passes.
- l. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - i. **Calendar Options**
 - 1. Two options for 2021-22 school calendar were presented by CEO Mcculloch.
 - 2. **MOTION** made by Director Polk to adopt option 1, seconded by Chair Angelo, motion passed without dissent.
 - ii. **Second reading of proposed 2021/22 budget**
 - 1. CEO Mcculloch presented the revised budget for second reading.
 - 2. **MOTION** made by Director Gault to approve second reading of the budget with revised items, seconded by Director Ketchie, motion passes.
- m. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
 - i. none
- n. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - i. Appointment / Election process – Add to next months meeting
- o. **ADJOURNMENT**
 - i. Next regular meeting confirmed for March 16, 2021 @ 5:30pm.
 - ii. **MOTION** made by Director Cooper to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Polk, motion passed without dissent. Meeting officially adjourned at 7:03pm.

Approved by the Board: 3/16/21

Board Secretary or Board Chairperson Signature: 

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B. PUBLIC MEETING

a. MISSION STATEMENT

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d. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

- i. **MOTION** made by Director Gault to adopt the agenda with the amendment of item C, seconded by Director Merrick, motion carried.

e. NEW BUSINESS

i. Salary schedule for 2021/22 school year

1. **CEO McCulloch** presented and update of the Salary Schedule with a recommendation to adopt updated Proposal 4 of the salary schedule. **Director Sproul** made the motion to approve, seconded by **Director Merrick**. **Joe Cooper** abstained from vote. **Motion passed.**

ii. Budget for 2021/22 school year

1. **Melissa Kiddy** presented the 2021-22 draft budget to the board for approval. **Director Gault** made motion to approve the first reading of the budget, **Director Ketchie** seconded the motion. **Motion passed.**

iii. E-rate consultant

1. Dave Gault made a motion to approve the school to enter into a contract with an E-rate consultant not to exceed \$12,000.

f. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- i. none

g. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- i. Appointment / Election process – Add to next months meeting

h. ADJOURNMENT

- i. MOTION made by Director Gault to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Polk, motion passed without dissent. Meeting officially adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Approved by the Board: 3/16/21

Board Secretary or Board Chairperson Signature: 