

**Bridges Preparatory Board Meeting  
Minutes of the Monthly Board meeting on May 8, 2018  
1100 Boundary Street Lunchroom, Beaufort SC 29902**

Upon determining the presence of a quorum, Chairman Matthews called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

**Board Member Attendance**

	Name	Office	Present	Absent	Arrived Late	Departed Early
1	Dee Matthews	Board Chairman	X			
2	Marty Miley	Vice Chairman			X	
3	James Corbin	Treasurer	X			
4	Peggy Feuerbacher	Secretary	X			
5	Calvin White	Director at Large			X	
6	Kelly McCombs	Director at Large			X	
7	David Gault	Director at Large	X			
8	Brooke Pacheco	Director at Large	X			
9	Tom Angelo	Director at Large	X			

**Staff Members in Attendance:**

HOS Wilson, Dr. Herbst, Jessica Mullen, Caroline Lovell, Chris Littleton, Amy Painton, Jessica Peele, Tim Drury, Joan Drury

**Others in Attendance:**

John Williams, Publicist, Melissa Kiddy, Accountant

**I. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

(\*Conducted in executive session in accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws, Title 30, Chapter 4, Section 30-4-70 (a)(1), for the "discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of... employee[s]" and (2) Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property. . . .)

**MOTION** made by Director Pacheco to enter Executive Session at 5:35 pm, seconded by Director Gault, motion passed without dissent.

**MOTION** made by Treasurer Corbin to emerge from Executive Session, seconded by Director Pacheco, motion passed without dissent. Public Meeting convened at 6:41 pm.

**II. MISSION STATEMENT**

The Bridges Preparatory Mission Statement was recited aloud by Director Matthews

**III. PUBLIC MEETING**

**a. STUDENT PRESENTATION**

None

**b. STAFF RECOGNITIONS**

- i. Ms. Chucta was nominated by Alexandra Bosley and selected for Teacher of the Month by Winning Orthodontic Smiles. She received a \$100 gift certificate from Staples to use in the classroom.
- ii. The PTO sponsored activities for Teacher Appreciation Week, which included a breakfast, a lunch, thank you notes and small gifts daily. Also, HOS provided gift certificates, and Caroline Lovell baked cookies with messages for teachers.
- iii. The talent show at Mossy Oaks Elementary School was a great success due to the hard work of Mrs. Chucta, Mrs. Littleton, Mrs. Badgett, parents and the effort put forth by all participating students.

**c. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**MOTION** made by Treasurer Corbin to approve the agenda, seconded by Director Pacheco, motion passed without dissent.

**d. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT**

Chairperson Matthews stated that the media was notified of the meeting, including the listing on BPS website. It was done within the 48-hour requirement.

**e. REPORTS**

**i. HOS REPORT**

HOS Wilson announced the first induction of members to the National Honor Society this month. The nine BPS students are: Dawson Cadd, Campbell Crum, Colby Escoe, Nate Gore, Kyle King, Emalee Payne, Courtney Pulaski, Suchir Shetty, and Jamie Smith. Mr. Wilson also recognized Diana Price, BPS's National Honor Society sponsor, for setting up the bylaws and working with students to help them with applications.

**ii. PTO REPORT**

Amy Painton reported on the PTO's Shrimp & Grits Block Party in Port Royal, April 28. She described the day as perfect with weather, turnout, and the reception of the band. She announced Albergotti Grill from the Holiday Inn and Suites as the winner of the Shrimp & Grits Cook off. She thanked all the volunteers, parents, and students who participated and stated that plans for next year's event were already in progress. Mrs. Painton also explained the PTO's participation in Teacher Appreciation Week with small gestures like "Thirst for Knowledge" cups, lunch and breakfast for teachers, while on Thursday of the week, parents were encouraged to send thank you notes.

**iii. OUTREACH REPORT**

None

**iv. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

Chairperson Matthews thanked the PTO for all their efforts throughout the school year, and reminded everyone that all funds raised by the PTO came back to the school.

**v. TREASURER'S REPORT**

Melissa Kiddy of McCay Kiddy will present the financial report for April in June. She emphasized that with \$140,000 construction outlay and \$60,000 purchase of modular units, April's financials will show a deficit.

**vi. FACILITIES REPORT**

Vice Chairperson Miley reported that bids were sent out for modulars, but only Patterson Construction responded; their bid, however, was within budget. Pre-bids for the site work for the new school were sent out to four contractors who must respond by May 22nd, when bids are due. We are waiting for final approval of plans for the new school from OSF.

**f. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- i. **MOTION** made by Treasurer Corbin to accept the minutes for April 19, 2018, the Board Budget Workshop, seconded by Director Pacheco, motion passed without dissent.
- ii. **MOTION** made by Treasurer Corbin to accept the minutes for April 26, 2018, Board Meeting, seconded by Director Pacheco, motion passed without dissent.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

- i. Melissa Kiddy of McCay Kiddy presented two budgets for the 2018-2019 school year and explained their differences. One budget reflected a 1% increase for non-certified employees which showed a deficit of \$36,346. The second budget reflected a 1.5% increase for non-certified employees and a 1% Cost of Living adjustment for all employees which showed a deficit of \$69,976. Ms. Kiddy recommended the first budget. It was suggested that the Board could review the school's financial position in December 2018, and perhaps give increases or performance bonuses/ allowances, and to look at salary schedules to remedy inconsistencies.

**MOTION** made by Secretary Feuerbacher to approve the first budget showing a deficit of \$36,346 for the 2018-2019 school year; seconded by Vice Chairman Miley, motion passed with eight (8) votes and Director Gault voted against.

**MOTION** made by Treasurer Corbin to revisit the budget in November 2018, for the purpose of increasing pay for certified and non-certified employees, seconded by Director Angelo, motion passed without dissent.

- ii. **MOTION** made by Director Angelo to renew the contract with The Greenery for one year, seconded by Director Pacheco, motion passed without dissent.

iii. **MOTION** made by Director Pacheco to renew the contract with All In Educational Services LLC to provide psychological services for one year, but not to exceed \$22,000; seconded by Director McCombs, motion passed without dissent.

iv. **Motion** made by Vice Chairperson Miley to renew the contract with Williams Group PR to include advertising with Eat Sleep Play Beaufort; seconded by Secretary Feuerbacher, motion passed without dissent.

v. **Motion** made by Director Gault to acquire bids for a new website design with Williams Group PR running it; seconded by Vice Chairperson Miley, motion passed without dissent.

**vi. Motion** made by Secretary Feuerbacher for HOS to form a committee, consisting of a Board member, a BPS teacher, and community businessmen, to implement a capital fundraising plan; seconded by Vice Chairperson Miley, motion passed without dissent.

**vii. Motion** made by Director Pacheco to accept the air quality test results for the Celadon campus; seconded by Treasurer Corbin, motion passed without dissent.

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Greg Brinker spoke during public comment session.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

Next regular meeting confirmed for June 26, 2018.

**MOTION** made by Director Pacheco to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Vice Chairperson Miley, motion passed without dissent. Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Approved by the Board:

*Matthews* 6/5/2018

Board Secretary or Board Chairperson Signature:

*Margaret B. Feuerbacher*  
6/5/2018