

Bridges Preparatory Board of Directors
Minutes of the Monthly Board Meeting, 4/20/2021
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, Dr. Moore

- 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 Director Gault to enter an executive session, seconded by Director Merrick, 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 Vice Chair Polk to end executive session, seconded by Director Gault, 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 with Amendments, seconded by Director Merrick, motion carried.
- e. CEO REPORT (Mr. McCulloch)
 - i. On March 19th we announced our first-grade teacher Mrs. Mohead as our teacher of the year!! Well-deserved indeed.
 - ii. On March 27th we had a very successful block party. Our PTO did an exceptional job in recognizing our school community and business partners with such a fun evening.
 - iii. On March 30th we had excited seniors for our graduation pick up. The new robes are beautiful with our blue and white colors.
 - iv. On April 2nd, our senior class were the first to experience our new concrete games. A great time was had by all at the cookout.
 - v. On April 15th, Mr. Angelo and I had the wonderful opportunity of accompanying our 7th grade students on an overnight field trip to the Georgia Aquarium and the Coca Cola Museum in Atlanta. What an amazing behind the scenes experience we had. A great time was had by all!!
 - vi. Today our 6th grade class are on their way to Atlanta to enjoy the aquarium and the coca cola museum. (Mr. Kabel is joining the 6th grade.
 - vii. Today our 8th and 9th grade students have departed for an amazing experience of dolphin adventures, alligator farms, and a picnic on the beach in St. Augustine Florida. (Mrs. Scott will be joining them).
 - viii. Our Positive Covid numbers are 0 staff and 0 students from our last board meeting to today.
 - ix. Our students continue to shine in the classroom – we have had 92 tours to date.
 - x. Our current enrollment is 1057.
 - xi. Masks – we have not made an announcement for our mask policy because we will continue to wear masks for the remainder of this school year in our schools. The safety of our staff and students continues to be a priority of our school. The barrier that our masks provide when social distancing is compromised allows us to maintain our goal of keeping our school community open and safe for this school year.
 - xii. Our faculty and students did such an amazing job with black history last month, that we thought we would give you a glimpse into what we did for women’s history month. I would like to thank our 3 principals for their work and presentation from last month, and seeing as Dr. Moore is our only remaining administrator, I would like to thank her for presenting K-12 women’s history month at Bridges Prep.
- f. PTO REPORT (Kim Gardner)
 - i. 8th annual block party was a great evening. The event raised \$4,455.
 - ii. Moes spirit night is April 27th.
 - iii. Teacher appreciation week is May 3rd thru May 7th.
 - iv. Glowcountry mini golf spirit night is May 6th.
 - v. May 11th next PTO meeting.
- g. CHARTER RENEWAL
 - i. Met on April 13th to discuss next steps of the process. Discussed our uniqueness and why families trust us with their students. The goals for the next 10 years have been identified.
- h. CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT (Tom Angelo)
 - i. All is going well with the school
 - ii. Building process is continuing with new building. Most sheetrock is up and painted. Electrical wiring is installed.
 - iii. The construction is on track to be completed on time.
- i. TREASURER’S REPORT
 - i. Treasurer Ketchie presented the financial report for the month of March, the details of which are available on a separate document.

- ii. MOTION made by Vice Chair Polk to accept the February financials report, seconded by Director Gault, motion passed without dissent.
- j. Announcements / Good of the Order
 - i. Acknowledging 6th grade teacher Ms. Ruth for coordinating the field trips!
- k. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - i. MOTION made by Director Gault to approve the minutes from the March 16 meeting with the noted corrections, seconded by Director Merrick, motion passes.
- l. NEW BUSINESS
 - i. Salary schedule adjustment
 - 1. MOTION made by Director Ketchie to approve the updated salary adjustment schedule, seconded by Director Brown motion passed without dissent.
 - ii. MOU Teacher Cadets
 - 1. MOTION made by Director Merrick to approve the MOUS with USCB Teacher Cadet program, seconded by Vice Chair Polk motion passed without dissent.
 - iii. Reopening Final Phase – 5 days
 - 1. Informational update from Gary on the status of the current legislative situation at the state level about requiring 5 days of in person instructional time.
- m. PUBLIC COMMENTS
 - i. none
- n. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - i. none
- o. ADJOURNMENT
 - i. Next regular meeting confirmed for May 18, 2021 @ 5:30 PM
 - ii. MOTION made by Vice Chair Polk to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Ketchie motion passed without dissent. Meeting officially adjourned at 7:17 pm.

Approved by the Board: _____

5/18/21

Board Secretary or Board Chairperson Signature: _____



