

**Bridges Preparatory Board of Directors
Minutes of the meeting on May 20, 2016
Held at Bridges Preparatory Main campus, 1100 Boundary Street, Beaufort SC 29902**

Upon determining the presence of a quorum, Chairman Matthews called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

Board Member Attendance

	Name	Office	Present	Absent	Arrived Late	Departed Early
1	Dee Matthews	Board Chairman	X			
2	Marty Miley	Vice Chairman	X			
3	Caroline Lovell	Treasurer	X			
4	James Corbin	Secretary	X			
5	Calvin White	Director at Large	X			
6	Chris Protz	Director at Large	X			
7	Peggy Feuerbacher	Director at Large	X			

Staff Members in Attendance:

Dr. Bohnstengel, Kate Olin, Jessi Mullen, Amy Painton, Michael Glaze, Lauren Connolley

Others in Attendance:

John Williams, Publicist

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 Secretary Corbin to enter Executive Session at 5:01, seconded by Vice Chairperson Miley, motion passed without dissent.

MOTION made by Director Feuerbacher to emerge from Executive Session, seconded by Director White, motion passed without dissent. Public Meeting convened at 6:34pm.

II. MISSION STATEMENT

The Bridges Preparatory Mission Statement was recited aloud by Director Matthews

III. PUBLIC MEETING

a. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION made by Secretary Corbin to approve the agenda, seconded by Director Feuerbacher, motion passed without dissent.

b. 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.

c. STUDENT PRESENTATION

Lauren Connolley's 3rd Graders presented a sampling of their recent Living Wax Museum class project. Presented were Albert Einstein, Black Beard, Thomas Sumter, Pocahontas, and Angelina Grimké.

d. REPORTS

i. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Matthews thanks Megan Bridge for coordinating the National Junior Honor Society induction ceremony. It is exciting to see the NJHS membership for our chapter growing.

Due to much confusion/rumor/misinformation, Chairperson Matthews clarified the Bridges Preparatory current field-trip policy and Board vs. Administration duties in executing the policy.

- There are no overnight/out-of-state field-trips to be approved until full policy is reviewed by new Head of School.
- Head of School may approve day trips currently.
- Board was unaware that 6 field-trips were already scheduled for May when the decision to complete field trips by May 1 due to a month of testing was made.
- Board requested that 4th grade field-trip be moved up but it could not be rescheduled.
- Board decided that the children should not suffer due to the mistakes of the adults so the field-trip was allowed to proceed.
- Bridges Board of Directors approves the final field-trip policy, the Head of School approves the actual field-trips in accordance with the approved policy.

ii. HOS REPORT

Dr. Bohnstengel reported all standardized testing has been completed.

All three campuses are preparing for field day.

Next Thursday, end of year award ceremonies are to be held.

iii. FACILITIES REPORT

Vice Chairperson Miley reported:

- Met with OSF at Celadon to identify modifications necessary to expand classroom space for 2016-17 school year.
- Meeting with city of Beaufort on Monday about renovations and expansion project.

MOTION made by Vice Chairperson Miley to approve FWA contract for design services at Celadon, seconded by Director White, motion passed without dissent.

MOTION made by Treasurer Lovell to renew the lease for Charles Lind Brown, seconded by Vice Chairperson Miley, motion passed without dissent.

iv. PTO REPORT

Amy Painton reported the Block Party was a huge success. They raised \$16,500 which will be earmarked for technology improvements and additions in the classrooms. Chairperson Matthews recognized the PTO for their hard work and thanked them for the outstanding job they do with fundraising and promoting the school.

v. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Lovell said the Budget would be presented in June for final approval.

e. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION made by Secretary Corbin to accept the minutes for March 7 and April 21, 2016, seconded by Director Feuerbacher, motion passed without dissent.

MOTION made by Secretary Corbin to adopt the new format of the minutes for November 20, 2014 through December 8, 2015, seconded by Director Feuerbacher, motion passed without dissent.

f. VOTES

- i. **MOTION** made by Director Feuerbacher to adopt the summer hours policy as reviewed and validated by both interim and new Heads of School, seconded by Director White, motion passed without dissent.

g. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Amy Painton encouraged the new Head of School to have multiple town meetings to spread his vision for the high school. Would like to see a letter from the board updating everyone on everything going on.

h. ADJOURNMENT

- i. **MOTION** made by Vice Chairperson Miley to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Feuerbacher, motion passed without dissent. Meeting adjourned at 7:09pm.

Approved by the Board: 26 July 2016

Board Secretary or Board Chairperson Signature: James W. Corbin