

**Bridges Preparatory Board of Directors  
Minutes of the Monthly Board Meeting, 6/21/2022  
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	Bryan Merrick	Vice Chair	X			
3	Chiffon McNeil	Treasurer		x		
4	Michelle Fraser	Director	X			
5	Jon Brown	Secretary	X			
6	Beth Taggart	Director	x			
7	David Gault	Director		x		
8	Dawn Yerace	Director	x			
9	Chris Ketchie	Director	X			

**Staff Members in Attendance: Gary McCulloch,**

**A. CALL TO ORDER, ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**

a. Upon determining the presence of a quorum, Chairman Angelo called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

**B. PUBLIC MEETING**

a. **MISSION STATEMENT**

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

b. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

a. 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**

a. Motion made by Vice Chair Merrick to adopt agenda, seconded by Director Fraser, motion carried.

e. **MOTION** made by Director Taggart to enter an executive session, seconded by Director Ketchie, motion carried.

**C. 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.

- D. **MOTION made by Vice Chair Merrick to end executive session, seconded by Director Ketchie, motion carried.**
- E. **PUBLIC MEETING**
  - a. **CEO REPORT (Mr. McCulloch)**
    - a. **BPS had an excellent year. CEO McCulloch thanked our board, teachers, staff, parents, and students for coming together as a school community to enjoy another memorable year.**
    - b. **Congratulations to our Teacher of the Year Mrs. Juliana Smith for being recognized as the South Carolina Public Charter School District's Teacher of the year. She was recently recognized at the state level.**
    - c. **Congratulations to Mrs. Stahl and the senior class, who were recently recognized in the community for their charitable work and were broadcast on an episode of "Lowcountry Good". Great job to our students and Mrs. Stahl!**
    - d. **Congratulations to our 120 Kindergarten students that graduated into the 1<sup>st</sup> grade.**
    - e. **Congratulation to the 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who were promoted to the middle and high school with their respective ceremonies.**
    - f. **Congratulations to our 3<sup>rd</sup> graduating class who enjoyed a ceremony on June 4<sup>th</sup>.**
    - g. **Currently have 865 applications to date.**
    - h. **Since we are at end of year CEO McCulloch will begin reporting confirmed seats for next school year. As of 6-16-22 we have 1279 confirmed seats for next school year with 11 offers out.**
  - b. **PTO REPORT**
    - a. **N/A**
  - c. **ATHLETICS REPORT**
    - a. **CEO McCulloch introduced Jim Raymond**
    - b. **AD Jim Raymond presented concept of Athletic Booster Club**
  - d. **CHARTER RENEWAL (Mr. McCulloch)**
    - a. **Charter committee will meet on July 18<sup>th</sup> @ 3PM.**
  - e. **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT (Tom Angelo)**
    - a. **Nothing to report currently.**
  - f. **TREASURER'S REPORT**
    - a. **Director Ketchie presented the financial report for the month of May, the details of which are available on a separate document.**
    - b. **MOTION made by Director Yerace to accept the May financials report, seconded by Director Fraser, motion passed without dissent.**
  - g. **Announcements / Good of the Order**
    - a. **Director Merrick commented that the theme for next school year is "Pride"**
  - h. **Public Comment**
    - a. **none**
  - i. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
    - a. **MOTION made by Director Fraser to approve the minutes from the May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022, and June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022, seconded by Director Ketchie, motion passes.**
  - j. **NEW BUSINESS**
    - a. **Athletic Booster Club**
      - 1. **MOTION made by Director Ketchie to approve the formation of an Athletic Booster Club, seconded by Director Taggart, motion passed.**
    - b. **School Security**
      - 1. **CEO McCulloch presented information about school security company.**
      - 2. **MOTION made by Vice Chair Merrick to approved contract with security company for the coming year. Seconded by Director Taggart, motion carried.**
    - c. **Club Policy**

1. CEO McCulloch presented revised Club Policy to board.
  2. MOTION made by Secretary Brown approve the proposed Club Policy. Seconded by Director Ketchie, motion carried.
- d. Interactive PE Proposal
1. CEO McCulloch presented information for Interactive PE smart boards.
  2. MOTION made by Director Yerace to approve purchase of PE smart board, seconded by Vice Chair Merrick, motion carried.
- e. Sub Services
1. CEO McCulloch presented proposal of new sub service due to current service company is not filling coverage as needed.
  2. MOTION made by Vice Chair Merrick to accept the new sub service contract for the next school year, seconded by Director Fraser, motion carried.
- f. Competitive Salary Proposal
1. MOTION made by Director Brown to table this item until next meeting, seconded by Director Ketchie, motion carried.
- k. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
1. n/a
- I. ADJOURNMENT
- a. Next regular meeting confirmed for July 26th, 2022 @ 5:30 PM
  - b. MOTION made by Director Ketchie to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice Chair Merrick motion passed without dissent. Meeting officially adjourned at 7:52 PM.

Approved by the Board: \_\_\_\_\_

Board Secretary or Board Chairperson Signature: \_\_\_\_\_