

**Bridges Preparatory Board of Directors**  
**Minutes of the Monthly Board Meeting, March 19, 2019**  
**Held at Bridges Preparatory Main Campus, 1100 Boundary Street, Beaufort SC 29902**

**Board Member Attendance**

	Name	Office	Present	Absent	Arrived Late	Departed Early
1	David Gault	Board Chairman	x			
2	Tom Angelo	Vice Chairman	x			
3	Rebecca Polk	Treasurer	x			
4	Bryan Merrick	Secretary	x			
5	Peggy Feuerbacher	Director at Large	x			
6	James Corbin	Director at Large			x5:55	x7:30
7	Kelly McCombs	Director at Large		x		
8	Joe Cooper	Director at Large	x			
9	Shawna Doran	Director at Large	x			

**Staff Members in Attendance:** Dr. Sherri Herbst (interim HOS), John Kabel, Brantley Hodges, Amy Painton, Chris Littleton, Amanda Saunders, Joan Drury, Tim Drury, Taylor Hunt, Caroline Lovell, Jesse Mullen, Erin Ruth, Tricia Michael

**Others in Attendance:** Gary McCulloch (incoming HOS), John Williams (publicist), Melissa Kiddy (accounting), Wendy Walsh (SLP)

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

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

**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.

i. **MOTION** made by Vice Chairman Angelo to enter Executive Session at 5:35 pm, seconded by Director Cooper, motion passed without dissent.

ii. **MOTION** made by Secretary Merrick to emerge from Executive Session, seconded by Director Cooper, motion passed without dissent. Public Meeting re-convened at 7:03pm.

**C. PUBLIC MEETING**

**a. MISSION STATEMENT**

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

**b. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

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

**d. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

- i. **MOTION** made by Director Cooper to amend the agenda to move Public comment to before New Business, seconded by Vice Chairman Angelo, motion passed without dissent.

**e. HOS REPORT**

- i. Dr. Herbst reported that administration is currently finishing ADEPT teacher evaluations and that Quarter 3 of the school year closes on Thursday. She recognized teachers doing 2nd grade powerups and Amanda Saunders being accepted to a reading and writing conference.

**f. PTO REPORT**

- i. Amy Painton thanked everyone for their help and participation in the Bridges Block Party. It was a big success with a great turnout, lots of fun, great food. Special thanks to the "Cutting Board," the BoD sponsored shrimp and grits competition team. She approximated \$48k total revenue and will have a final report after all expenses have been paid and documented. Overall, it was our best year yet and excited to see even more growth in the future.

**g. OUTREACH REPORT**

**h. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

- i. Chairman Gault has been working with the county about our contract to use the Greene Street facility temporarily next year until construction is completed in Port Royal. He has met with Love House, who will be sharing the facility, and asked for August - January or February. There is a Beaufort Community Partnership event on Friday, aimed at closing the achievement gap, thanks to those able to participate. Gault also recognized the great job done by Gary McCulloch on the WHHI interview on TV. Also added that construction draws on our loan are going well and proceeding on time.

**i. TREASURER'S REPORT**

- i. Treasurer Polk reported that as of February 28th, the cash balance was \$3,105, 842. Due from SPCSD decreased by \$47,129 due to IDEA funding. Fixed assets had net additions of \$1,008,018 for USRDA. Current liabilities total is \$561,890, which includes AP, accrued payroll, retainage payable, funds due to SCPCSD, and benefit liabilities. The note payable on the building is \$5,825,737. Equity of \$4,027,712 is the cumulative fund balance. ADM as of the 45 day count is 704, budgeted ADM was 708. February's revenues exceeded expenditures by \$74,096. February's profit brings YTD net income to \$480,951.

**j. FACILITIES REPORT**

- i. Vice Chairman Angelo reported that construction in Port Royal is ahead of schedule, about 3 weeks ahead and Hood Construction hopes to be done by December. 85-90% of steel framing in section D up, section B has some, 400 yards of concrete being poured on Friday, firewalls going in...
- k. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - i. MOTION made by Director Doran to approve the minutes from the February board meeting, seconded by Director Feuerbacher, motion passed without dissent.
- l. NEW BUSINESS
  - i. MOTION made by Director Feuerbacher to submit design choice, plan "2b", for new elementary school and gym placement (gym near the entrance, elementary school at east end) for further design and OSF approval, seconded by Director Doran, motion passed without dissent.
  - ii. MOTION made by Director Feuerbacher to move Item H (additional section for 6th grade at Greene Street) to be discussed next, seconded by Director Angelo, motion passed without dissent.
  - iii. MOTION made by Director Feuerbacher to add a section to 6th grade with a limit of 20 students per section, seconded by Director Doran, motion passed without dissent.
  - iv. Melissa Kiddy delivered the first reading of proposed budget.
  - v. MOTION made by Director Feuerbacher to schedule April 8 at 5:30pm for the next regular meeting date, seconded by Doran, motion passed without dissent.
  - vi. MOTION made by Treasurer Polk to select Martin, Smith and Co as our auditor for the coming year, seconded by Director Feuerbacher, motion passed without dissent.
  - vii. MOTION made by Director Feuerbacher to move to executive session, seconded by Director Doran, motion passed without dissent.
  - viii. MOTION to move back into public session made by Secretary Merrick, seconded by Treasurer Polk, motion passed without dissent.
  - ix. MOTION made by Director Feuerbacher to approve the 2019-2020 budget proposal, seconded by Vice Chairman Angelo, motion passed without dissent.
  - x. MOTION made by Director Doran to table a vote and discussion on a contract proposal made by Therapy A to Z for occupational therapy services to Bridges Prep until next meeting, seconded by Treasurer Polk, motion passed without dissent.
  - xi. MOTION made by Director Feuerbacher to table a vote and discussion of the Williams Group contract proposal for public relations services to Bridges Prep, seconded by Treasurer Polk, motion passed without dissent.
  - xii. MOTION made by Director Feuerbacher to approve the 2019-2020 calendar with a request to determine graduation date and venue, seconded by Director Doran, motion passed without dissent.
  - xiii. MOTION made by Vice Chairman Angelo to approve a Senior Class trip to Orlando during Spring Break of next year, seconded by Secretary Merrick, motion passed without dissent.
- m. PUBLIC COMMENTS
  - i. none
- n. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- i. **MOTION** made by Director Feuerbacher to proceed with a charter amendment to increase the number of sections in grade K-8 from 3 to 4 once space is available, seconded by Director Doran, motion passed without dissent.
- o. **ADJOURNMENT**
  - i. Next regular meeting confirmed for April 8, 2019 at 5:30pm.
  - ii. **MOTION** made by Vice Chairman Angelo to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Feuerbacher, motion passed without dissent. Meeting officially adjourned at 9:24 pm.

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

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