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**Bridges Preparatory Board of Directors
Minutes of the Monthly Board Meeting, 5/18/2021
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	Treasurer	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, Kimberly Gardner, Blake Gruel, Steve Galats, Kelly Masotti

- A. CALL TO ORDER, ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**
 - a. Upon determining the presence of a quorum, Chairman Angelo called the meeting to order at 5:38pm.**
 - b. MOTION made by Vice Chair Polk to enter an executive session, seconded by Director Sproul, 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 Merrick, 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 Polk to adopt the agenda with Amendment of addition of 2019 Form 990 Draft, seconded by Director Brown, motion carried.
- e. **CEO REPORT (Mr. McCulloch)**
 - i. Another fantastic month for BPS! He thanks the board and school community for coming together to provide a memorable full year of in person and virtual learning like no other.
 - ii. On May 1st, our juniors and seniors enjoyed their much-anticipated prom!
 - iii. Congratulations to our girls' and boys' sports teams for an exceptional year of growth and development of future competitive programs. We thank you for your commitment.
 - iv. May 3rd thru 7th was teacher and staff appreciation week. We celebrated our faculty with delicious meals, sweet treats, gift cards and a special that I have shared with you. Thank you to our amazing staff for such a great year.
 - v. Mr. Sandoval took students to appreciate the Cuban arts in Savannah. Ms. Lashley's Portuguese class presented on food from regions of Brazil, Mrs. Lowers ceramics class traveled to McSweeney Clay studio to learn to center and manipulate their clay into a vessel.
 - vi. Ms. Lashley's freshman English students welcomed Mr. Haupt of the Pat Conroy literacy center to share the literacy achievements of one of South Carolina's most beloved authors.
 - vii. Mrs. Culbertson's kindergarten students observed the life cycle of butterfly's and watched caterpillars transform to a chrysalis.
 - viii. Mrs. Madden's 5th grade science class completed a PLTW module testing Newton's 2nd Law of Motion to see if mass will have an effect on acceleration. They made snowball launchers and tested the theory with cotton balls and marshmallows.
 - ix. First grade explored our beaches to study life cycles.
 - x. NHS and Student Council led a canned food drive for Help of Beaufort from May 3rd thru 7th. Great job everyone!
 - xi. Our positive Covid numbers are 0 staff and 1 student from our last board meeting to today.
 - xii. We have had 96 tours to date and our current enrollment is 1054.
- f. **PTO REPORT (Kim Gardner)**
 - i. Great start to May celebrating Teachers and Staff.
 - ii. Will be meeting over summer
 - iii. April 22nd, 2022, for Block Party
 - iv. Next Tuesday Hearth Pizza Night
- g. **ATHLETICS REPORT**
 - i. During the spring season 7 team sports played
 - ii. Steve Galat's assistant AD. What is our identity. Presented athletic logos.
 - iii. Gruel presented proposal for to add Girls Golf, Basketball cheer squad, Wrestling
- h. **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.
- i. **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT (Tom Angelo)**
 - i. Building going well. Sheetrock in E3 is finishing up.
 - ii. Playground equipment has been ordered and will be installed in July
- j. **TREASURER'S REPORT**
 - i. Treasurer Ketchie presented the financial report for the month of April, the details of which are available on a separate document.
 - ii. **MOTION** made by Director Merrick to accept the April financials report, seconded by Director Reiner, motion passed without dissent.
- k. **Announcements / Good of the Order**
 - i. N/A
- l. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - i. **MOTION** made by Director Sproul to approve the minutes from the April 20

meeting with the noted corrections, seconded by Treasurer Ketchie, motion passes.

m. NEW BUSINESS

i. 2019 Form 990 Draft

1. MOTION made by Director Gault to approve the 990-tax form, seconded by Director Cooper motion passed without dissent.

ii. Sports teams

1. MOTION made by Director Gault to approve Girls Golf and Cheerleading. And await feedback on the interest of wrestling, seconded by Director Rennick, motion passes without dissent.

iii. Mask Policy

1. MOTION made by Director Brown to allow Students and Teachers to use personal choice on wearing mask without the need for DHEC form, seconded by Treasure Ketchie, motion passed without dissent.

iv. Virtual Learning for 2021/22 School Year

1. MOTION made by Chairman Angelo to do away with virtual learning for the 2021/22 school year, seconded by Vice Chair Polk, motion passed without dissent.

v. Reopening structures for August

1. MOTION made by Director Cooper to accept Option 2 School Calendar, seconded by Director Sproul, motion passed without dissent.

vi. Drop off and pickup times

1. MOTION made by Vice Chair Polk to accept recommended Drop off and pickup times with the adjustment of 5:30 as the end of the after-school program, seconded by Director Mark, motion passed without dissent.

vii. Bussing

1. MOTION made by Director Gault to approve the HOS to gather information off and pickup times with the adjustment of 5:30 as the end of the after-school program, seconded by Director Cooper, motion passed without dissent.

viii. Contract reviews

1. All in Educational Services

- MOTION made by Director Polk to approve the contract with All in Educational Services, seconded by Director Gault, Director Merrick abstained, motion passed without dissent.

2. Custodial

- MOTION made by Director Cooper to approve the contract with HES, seconded by Director Gault, Director Angelo abstained, motion passed without dissent.

3. Cornerstone Physical Therapy and Wellness

- MOTION made by Vice Chair Polk to approve the contract with Cornerstone Physical Therapy and Wellness, seconded by Director Rennick, motion passed without dissent.

ix. Charter Amendment

1. MOTION made by Director Cooper to accept the recommendation from the Charter committee, seconded by Treasurer Ketchie, motion passed without dissent.

n. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- i. none

o. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- i. none
- p. **ADJOURNMENT**
 - i. Next regular meeting confirmed for June 22nd, 2021 @ 5:30 PM
 - ii. **MOTION** made by Director Brown to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Sproul motion passed without dissent. Meeting officially adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Approved by the Board: 6/22/21

Board Secretary or Board Chairperson Signature: 