

Bridges Preparatory Board Meeting
Minutes of the Monthly Board meeting on April 19, 2018
1100 Boundary Street Lunchroom, Beaufort SC 29902

Upon determining the presence of a quorum, Chairman Matthews called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

Board Member Attendance

	Name	Office	Present	Absent	Arrived Late	Departed Early
1	Dee Matthews	Board Chairman	X			
2	Marty Miley	Vice Chairman	X			
3	James Corbin	Treasurer	X			
4	Peggy Feuerbacher	Secretary	X			
5	Calvin White	Director at Large		X		
6	Kelly McCombs	Director at Large	X			
7	David Gault	Director at Large		X		
8	Brooke Pacheco	Director at Large	X			
9	Tom Angelo	Director at Large	X			

Staff Members in Attendance:

HOS Wilson, Dr. Herbst, Jessica Mullen, Caroline Lovell, Tim Drury, Joan Drury, Amy Painton, Taylor Hunt, Amanda Sanders

Others in Attendance:

John Williams, Publicist, Melissa Kiddy, Accountant

I. MISSION STATEMENT

The Bridges Preparatory Mission Statement was recited aloud by Director Matthews

II. PUBLIC MEETING

a. STUDENT PRESENTATION

None

b. STAFF RECOGNITIONS

i. Ameris Bank Field Trip

Taylor Hunt, Special Ed Teacher for the Upper School, reported on a field trip to Ameris Bank, where students learned about checking accounts and were able to practice using debit cards in ATM machines.

ii. First Grade Incentives

First grade teacher, Amanda Sanders, encouraged her students to perform their best on the MAP tests by offering her students several incentives. Her students did very well on the test, thus, Ms. Sanders took a pie in the face, as this was the activity the students chose.

c. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

d. 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, and posted at all three campuses. It was done within the 48-hour requirement.

e. REPORTS

i. HOS REPORT

HOS Wilson explained the amended calendar for the 2018-2019 school year. Since BPS will not be leasing the Greene Street facility, there is no need to cancel classes for the first Monday in October, Tax Day for Beaufort County. That will be a full school day. Other changes reflected professional development days for teachers and an inclement weather makeup day.

ii. PTO REPORT

Amy Painton reported on the PTO's upcoming Shrimp & Grits Block Party in Port Royal, April 28th. Entertainment will include rides for older children, live music and much more. Painted rocks advertising the event and BPS will be hidden about town and can be turned in for prizes. Ms. Painton also stressed the need for all volunteers to attend the Block Party meeting on April 25th, 6:30 pm, at the Boundary Street campus.

iii. OUTREACH REPORT

Ms. Caroline Lovell reported that a booth will be set up at the Shrimp & Grits Block Party with brochures about BPS. There will also be coloring books available.

iv. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Matthews requested Board Members to remember to contribute toward a \$500 pledge made to help support the PTO's Block Party. She also reported a first quarter earnings of \$347.05 on the required USDA's required \$1,400,000 reserve account. Furthermore, the construction loan was now in underwriting.

v. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Corbin reminded the Board that the May 8th meeting would be the third reading of the BPS budget for 2018-2019 school year and that a budget workshop would be held on April 26th, 4:30 p.m., at the Boundary Street campus.

He gave the financial report for March 2018, stating that the month's total income was \$556,244 and from July to March \$4,346,075. Total expenses for March were \$385,918 and from July to March \$4,037,571. Net income for March was \$170,326 and from July to March \$308,504. Currently, BPS is at 132% of the annual budgeted surplus of \$234,571.

MOTION made by Vice Chairman Miley to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Director Pacheco; motion passed without dissent.

vi. FACILITIES REPORT

Vice Chairperson Miley reported that the city was putting in public restrooms at the park on Greene Street. Also, bids for the modular project for the new school site will go out May 1st, along with bids on the site work. We are still waiting on permits from BJWS and SCDOT. After receiving these permits, a sign with a rendition of the new building and stating BPS's new home would be placed on the site.

f. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- i. Motion** made by Secretary Feuerbacher to accept the minutes for March 27, 2018 Special Board Meeting, seconded by Director Pacheco; motion passed without dissent.

III. NEW BUSINESS VOTES

i. Director Angelo explained that the PTO requested the Board to pay \$750 to join Eat Sleep Play Beaufort which is half of the \$1500 membership. With an exposure to over ten thousand subscribers, the website would help to promote PTO and BPS activities.

Motion made by Director Angelo to approve the expense of \$750 to partner with the PTO in membership to Eat Sleep Play Beaufort; seconded by Director McCombs; motion passed without dissent.

ii. 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 Treasurer Corbin to enter Executive Session at 7:10 pm, seconded by Director Angelo; motion passed without dissent.

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Miley to emerge from Executive Session, seconded by Director Angelo; motion passed without dissent. Public Meeting reconvened at 7:29 pm.

iii. **Motion** made by Director Pacheco to table the renewal of publicist contract for John Williams; seconded by Treasurer Corbin; motion passed without dissent.

iv. **Motion** made by Treasurer Corbin to amend payment to Mobile Modular from \$120,000 to \$60,859 with the balance due upon delivery, seconded by Director Angelo; motion passed without dissent.

v. **Motion** made by Director Angelo to accept the contract for Workers Compensation Insurance with Turbeville Insurance Agency, seconded by Treasurer Corbin; motion passed with six (6) votes and Director Pacheco abstaining.

vi. **Motion** made by Vice Chairperson Miley to accept the amended 2018-2019 school calendar, seconded by Director McCombs; motion passed without dissent.

vii. **Motion** made by Director Pacheco to accept the air quality test results for the Celadon campus, seconded by Treasurer Corbin, motion passed without dissent.

viii. HOS Wilson read the words and played the tune for a proposed alma mater theme song for BPS.

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Miley to table the approval of the alma mater theme song and words until student input was obtained, seconded by Director McCombs; motion passed without dissent.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

None

a. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

b. ADJOURNMENT

Next regular meeting confirmed for May 8, 2018.

Motion made by Chairperson Miley to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Pacheco; motion passed without dissent. Meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm.

Approved by the Board: 5/8/18

Board Secretary or Board Chairperson Signature: M. Matthews

Margaret Furbach
5/8/2018