

# Minutes

## Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy

### Board Meeting

Monday Nov 26, 2012 @ 5:00 PM at 7 Fatima Drive

#### **Board Members Present**

K. Vaudreuil, P. Carey, D. McKee, S. Noris, J. Casimiro

#### **Guests Present**

J. Chiappetta, S. Cuello, J. LoPiccolo, C. Lopes, Paul Parker, D. Lauck, D. Waugh

## I. Opening Items

#### **Call the Meeting to Order**

D. McKee called a meeting of the board of trustees of Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy to order on Monday Nov 26, 2012 @ 5:04 PM at 7 Fatima Drive.

#### **Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting**

J. Casimiro made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 10-24-12.

P. Carey seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, Casimiro, McKee, Carey Nay: None. J. Almond arrived late. He arrived at 5:07 pm.

#### **Board Chair Remarks**

D. McKee asked D. Lauck to give a brief statement about Gates Compact. D. Lauck- "BVP is participating in District Charter Compact; the Gates Foundation is evaluating further support (through a facilities fund) of schools serving Central Falls children. Terms are still being negotiated, but the current draft includes \$10 million over ten years at low rates." D. McKee proposed a calendar for 2013 school year for board meetings; he asked to be notified if there are any conflicts.

## II. Governance

#### **Finance Policy (First Reading)**

J. Chiappetta- Overview/First Read of a Finance Policy to be approved in December. D. Lauck- "This is all of our policies consolidated into a single document. This is a living document; we can visit this annually and change or add as required".

J. Morton arrived late. He arrived at 5:18 pm.

## III. Consent Agenda

#### **Executive Director Report**

J. Morton made a motion to approve Consent Agenda.

P. Carey seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, Casimiro, McKee, Carey, Almond, Morton Nay: None.

Overview of our Board Dashboard, this will give our board up to date information on what it is happening in schools.

Weekly Lottery Report Update- 800 total applications.

## **Financial Update**

Lauck- Similar to last month, we will continue to track and update.

## **IV. BVP Charter Renewal Update**

### **Charter Renewal Update and Scheduling**

Crowe- In March you will be asked a couple of questions by RIDE for the charter renewal process.

## **V. Facilities Update**

### **Short & Long Term Facility Planning**

J. Chiappetta- Results of the family survey in regards to where we site future campuses. J. Chiappetta will hold a weekly meeting with staff to update them. If the board would like to be involved please let him know.

## **VI. High School**

### **Planning**

Draft document presented to the board. L. McEwen explains how she wants to build an advisory committee. J. Chiappetta explains we are building for college and career readiness and our looking for the right people to provide input.

## **VII. Public Comment**

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P. Parker- "On the survey, the answer I gave was that it did not matter the location of the school. That is because this is such a great opportunity that I would drive an hour to get there".

## **VIII. Fundraising**

### **Holiday Appeal**

J. Chiappetta- Any donation is greatly appreciated. Our school donated \$2500 to a New Jersey school who was hit by the hurricane. The donation was collected by our scholars who each donated \$2. Chiappetta said it warmed his heart to see how much our kids care.

## **IX. Closing Items**

### **Adjourn Meeting**

D. McKee made a motion to adjourn meeting.

J. Morton seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion. Aye: Vaudreuil, Casimiro, McKee, Carey, Almond, Morton Nay: None.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 06:14 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

S. Cuello