

Minutes

Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy

Board Meeting

Monday Jan 7, 2013 @ 5:00 PM at 7 Fatima Drive

Board Members Present

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

Board Members Absent

J. Almond, J. Morton

Guests Present

J. Chiappetta, S. Cuello, Marsha Greene

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 Jan 7, 2013 @ 5:06 PM at 7 Fatima Drive.

Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting

J. Casimiro made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 11-26-12.

S. Noris seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Board Chair Remarks

D. McKee stated he had his swearing in yesterday and he had the singers from the highschool and had scholars from BVP performing. D. McKee said it was very nice for him to see the very best from both schools. Feedback from the presentation was great. "A picture worth a thousand words". J. Chiappetta said it was emotional an honor to be there.

II. Fundraising

Holiday Appeal

J. Chiappetta stated that there is over six thousand dollars raised and 4 out of 7 board members have donated. There have been more than three dozen families that have contributed to the appeal.

III. Consent Agenda

Executive Director Report

P. Carey made a motion to approve the consent agenda.

S. Noris seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Financial Update

D. Lauck reminded the board that Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy's financial audit received an unqualified opinion, and the auditor's compliance review contained a single finding related to the organization's recording of time and effort for the charter school program grant. According to the auditors and the Federal government, this finding is the most common type for new and growing charter schools, and the leadership team has already implemented a corrective action plan.

IV. Governance

Finance Policy

J. Chiappetta stated this is a second reading we reviewed this at the November meeting. D. Lauck this 35 page document puts policies in place, and puts procedures into place. This is a living document we can add policies as needed.

P. Carey made a motion to approve finance policy.

S. Noris seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

V. BVP Charter Renewal Update

Charter Renewal Update and Scheduling

J. Chiappetta stated that RIDE charter school director has taken a new position and will be leaving at the end of the month. J. Chiappetta was informed that this will not affect our visit schedule. We are still scheduled to have our visit begin on March 5th. We will schedule to meet with them on Tuesday morning.

VI. High School

Planning

J. Chiappetta reminded the board if they have people who would add value, please let us know. Lori McEwen is still moving forward with this project.

VII. Facilities Update

Short & Long Term Facility Planning

J. Chiappetta stated that we are still looking at every possible opportunity, short and long term solutions. D. Allsopp confirmed that they are trying to help the school enroll at capacity for next year. They fully intent to have a complete plan by March 1st.

VIII. Executive Session

Go Into Executive Session

J. Casimiro made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the potential acquisition or lease of real estate pursuant to R.I. Gen. L. § 42-46-5(a)(5).

P. Carey seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

IX. Executive Session - Facilities

Acquisition or lease of real estate – R.I. Gen. L. § 42-46-5(a)(5)

K. Vaudreuil made a motion to seal the minutes and exit executive session.

P. Carey seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

X. Closing Items

Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 06:03 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
K. Vaudreuil

