

MINUTES

Belmont Academy Governing Board

Meeting of the Board of Directors

Date | time: 7/15/2019 7:00 PM | Meeting called to order by: Luke Sparks, Chairman

In Attendance

Governing Board:

Luke Sparks, Chairman – present

Jonny Handy, Treasurer – not present

Will Myers, Secretary – present

Jay Poole, board member – not present

Shellie Young, board member – present

Katie Tyler, board member – present

Jessica Klanderud, board member – present

Belmont Academy:

Lawton Unrau, CEO

Ron Barker, Principal

Guest:

Jim Zuber, All Seasons Planning and Design

A Quorum was present.

Public notice has been confirmed regarding this board meeting

Agenda

General Business:

1. Call meeting to order and take attendance
2. Confirm public notice for the meeting has been established and welcome visitors
Public notice of this meeting was confirmed by Mr. Unrau
3. Opportunity provided to move any Consent Item to the Action Item agenda for board discussion and review.
There was no motion to move any item to the Action agenda
4. Close and adopt the agenda
The agenda was closed and adopted as drafted
5. Invitation for Public Comment on any Action Item
There were no public comments on any Action Item

Consent Agenda: The administration recommends approval of the consent agenda. Items with a * have supporting documentation.

1. *ESS Substitute Services Contract 2019-2020 (subject to attorney review – in progress)

Ms. Young made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Mr. Myers seconded the motion and with no further discussion the directors voted unanimously to approve the consent agenda as motioned.

Discussion:

Expansion and construction project plans and requirements to move the project forward.
Review of land purchase requirements, offer and construction timelines.

Mr. Sparks explained that the letter of intent should be re-written to include recent modifications to the scope of the land purchase to include the access to CR240 along with additional details. The important modifications were established, and Mr. Sparks will have some discussion with the sellers. Once the details are put together Mr. Sparks will bring a revised letter of intent back to the school board.

Some key points that Mr. Zuber made relative to the expansion:

- A traffic study will be needed as part of the process
- There may be funding available for road improvements, entry if explored
- Be sure to include fire and water systems in the offer with consideration for both connection and ongoing use of each system
- Use clear language with regard to egress and land use. Include essential fencing and gate access plans.
- Provide consideration for possible parking lot purchase
- Include as part of the project a renovation of the existing garden courtyard space to have the pool demolished and replaced with artificial turf for student use as an outdoor study or break area.
- Mr. Zuber said that will provide draft plan for informal review by the Fire Marshall for feasibility of the current building layout and access.
- Mr. Zuber will find out about Civil Plan drafting and will contact the engineer that has provided ongoing plan services for Belmont in the past, Mr. Winsberg. Mr. Zuber also recommended that Belmont acquire the digital files as part of an arrangement, if possible.

Action Items: Items with a * have supporting documentation.

1. *Review for approval the 2019-2020 Draft Budget Amended 7-15-2019. Includes adjustments to reflect updated FTE revenue and anticipated increased curriculum needs.

Mr. Myers made a motion to approve the 2019-2020 Draft Budget Amended 7-15-2019. , Mrs. Tyler seconded the motion and with no further discussion the directors voted unanimously to approve the 2019-2020 Draft Budget Amended 7-15-2019. as motioned.

Additional Discussion:

With the current school expansion conversation underway, Mr. Sparks led a discussion regarding the transition and continuity of students from 8th grade to High School and the importance of understanding the dynamics of student population K-8 compared to 9-12 as well as meeting the needs of the entire Belmont population.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm by Mr. Sparks, Chairman.