

MINUTES (draft)

Belmont Academy Governing Board

Meeting of the Board of Directors

Date | time: 3/26/2018 7:04 PM | Meeting called to order by: Jonny Handy, meeting Chairperson

In Attendance

Governing Board:

Jonny Handy, Treasurer – present
Will Myers, Secretary – not present
Rick Bicknell, board member – present
Luke Sparks, board member – present
Katie Tyler, board member – present
Jessica Klanderud, board member – not present

Belmont Academy:

Lawton Unrau, CEO
Ron Barker, Principal
Dominique Ward, Assistant Principal
Sandra Heitzman, PTO President

A Quorum was present (4 directors of 6).

Public notice has been confirmed regarding this board meeting

Present from the Public:

Agenda

Mr. Handy acting Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:04pm. Director and staff attendance was taken and recorded. It was confirmed that there was public notice provided for the meeting.

General Business:

1. Mr. Handy noted that a Principal update and a PTO update be added to the agenda and one Action Item can be part of a CEO report
2. Appoint the Representative to Facilitate Parental Involvement per FS 1002.33(9)(p)(2) currently held by Principal Ron Barker.
Ron Barker was appointed and agreed to continue in this role.

PTO Report:

Sandra Heitzman, PTO President reported that more than \$17,000 was raised by the PTO sponsored color run fundraiser. She reported that upcoming events include Skate Palace; Father-Daughter dance; Muffins with mom plus the regular year-end events. Mr. Barker complimented Mrs. Heitzman for her hard work and commitment.

Principal Report:

Mr. Barker reported that the open enrollment lottery will be held Friday March 30 at 9:30am at Belmont Academy and that it is open to the public. He reported that there are 179 students that were added to the lottery during open enrollment. Current estimates that there will be at least 53 student seats available, but this number will change over time.

CEO report:

1. Belmont Academy Preliminary DRAFT Budget Review for 2018-2019

This preliminary budget was reviewed and discussed including staffing positions. Mr. Unrau explained that the budget is still a work in progress and additional information is still pending which will make it more accurate and complete. This draft is informational only and no action on the preliminary DRAFT 2018-2019 budget is requested.

Action Items:

1. Certificated teacher and non-instructional compensation review for 2018-2019

Proposed staff compensation was reviewed and discussed. Included as part of this review was the updated 2018 teacher pay scale and step schedule including stipends. After discussion and review Mr. Bicknell made a motion to approve the 2018 Step Schedule as proposed, once the motion was seconded the directors voted unanimously to approve the 2018 Step Schedule.

2. Financing options update for additional building

Mr. Unrau updated the directors on current funding options and proposed hiring Mr. Jim Zuber to handle permitting for the new project. Mr. Unrau provided the proposal from Mr. Zuber as well as the form permitting Mr. Zuber to act as Belmont's agent for the permitting process. After discussion Mr. Bicknell made a motion to approve the agreement with Mr. Zuber and the agent form as proposed, Mr. Handy seconded the motion and the directors voted unanimously to approve.

3. Revised 2018-2019 School Calendar

Mr. Barker discussed proposed revisions to improve the 2018-19 school calendar. After discussion Mrs. Tyler made a motion to approve the revised calendar; Mr. Sparks seconded the motion and the directors voted unanimously to approve the calendar as drafted.

Comments from Board Members:

Mr. Bicknell commented that consideration of a full-time grant writer could be well worth it.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 pm by Mr. Jonny Handy, Treasurer and meeting Chairperson.