

Berkeley Charter Education Association Board of Directors Meeting Meeting Minutes September 23, 2021

MEETING HELD AT: Berkeley Prep Academy & Via Zoom

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

	PRESENT	NOT PRESENT	TERM EXPIRATION DATE
Stewart Weinberg President	Х		May 2022
Cheryl Hollis Vice-President	Х		May 2023
Jeff Hajek Treasurer		Х	May 2023
Sandy Hightower Secretary	Х		May 2023
Joseph Bowers Director	Х		May 2022
Henry Brown Director	Х		May 2022
Danielle Statler Director	X		May 2023

NON-BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDING:

- 1. Brenda Coyle, Principal Mevers School of Excellence
- 2. Corbet Wilson, VP of Educational Accountability & Strategy CSUSA
- 3. Lisanne Morton, State Finance Director CSUSA
- 4. Bill Roach, State Director & Founding principal of BPA CSUSA
- 5. Emily Evans, State Financial Director CSUSA
- 6. Paula Jackson, Director of Governmental Relations CSUSA

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

- CALL TO ORDER Pursuant to public notice, Board President, Stewart Weinberg called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- ROLL CALL

Roll call was held, and quorum was established.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

APPROVAL

<u>MOTION</u>: Motion was made by <u>Bo</u> and seconded by <u>Danielle</u> to go into executive session. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>MOTION</u>: Motion was made by <u>Bo</u> and seconded by <u>Sandy</u> to come out of executive session. Motion passed unanimously.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE

 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA <u>MOTION</u>: Motion was made by <u>Bo</u> and seconded by <u>Cheryl</u> to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.



• APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 26,2021 AMENDED MEETING MINUTES <u>MOTION</u>: Motion was made by <u>Danielle</u> and seconded by <u>Bo</u> to approve the August 26, 2021 amended meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. CSUSA REPORTS

- Mevers Principal Report
 - Mrs. Coyle gave an update on Mevers marketing, COVID update, staff vacancies, new staff members that are starting, and current enrollment. Questions were asked about the impact of not replacing the 2nd PE teacher. Discussions about why students had left since the first of the year.
- Berkeley Preparatory Academy Principal Report
 Dr. Roach gave an update on BPA marketing, teacher vacancies, testing, COVID numbers, staff updates, recent hires, and enrollment.
 Dr. Roach talked about the meeting with Berkeley County Superintendent, Deon Jackson.
- Dr. Weinberg shared with Mrs. Coyle and Dr. Roach that the Board wanted to see plans for the following by the next board meeting:
 - Action plans with specific steps. Who would be doing what, the timeline to get it done, how it would be evaluated, etc.?
 - What are the mobile plans for when students are absent?
 - Action plans for how PLPs (Personalized Learning Plans) would be implemented at both schools.
 - Differentiated Instruction and PD on how to use the unique BPA facility in teaching.
- Cafeteria Updates

Ms. Jeannie Rudloff from Preferred Meals shared how things were going this school year with the cafeterias at Mevers and BPA. A discussion ensued about local farmers and the possibility of buying their produce to serve in cafeteria. Discussion ensued about having more options for lunch, medically fragile students, and possible changing of meals changing.

- Special Education Attachment had caseloads, updates, push in vs pull outs.
- Grants Highlights were presented via handout for BPA and Mevers.
- Financials The Board was updated on Financials for both schools.



MOTION: The Board did not vote to

approve Financials for either school. Dr. Weinberg reiterated that the financials should be received the Friday before the board meeting by the Board President and Treasurer then have a meeting Monday to review.

V. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

<u>MOTION</u>: Motion was made by <u>Cheryl</u> and seconded by <u>Danielle</u> to accept the resignation of Jeff Hajek from the board. Motion passed unanimously.

Jeff Hajek's resignation letter is attached.

<u>MOTION</u>: Motion was made by <u>Bo</u> and seconded by <u>Danielle</u> for Brian Williams to complete Jeff Hajek's term on the board. Motion passed unanimously.

Brian Williams is Native of Detroit, MI who moved to SC in 2018. He has a background in Information Technology with over 20 years of experience. Currently, he serving as an IT Project Manager and Lead Associate at the firm Booz Allen Hamilton servicing the Department of Veterans Affairs. He started and ran a 501c3 non-profit Score One Teach one until his move here. He is married with four children, two of which attend BPA.

<u>MOTION</u>: Motion was made by <u>Bo</u> and seconded by <u>Cheryl</u> that the Board authorizes the President and Vice President to enter into negotiations for obtaining land for a new elementary school, and to make appropriate requests to Erskine Charter Institute for name and location changes for existing charter. Motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Weinberg shared with the Board about the upcoming Erskine Institute Conference and the CSUSA National Conference.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Koomi Hendrix spoke about her concern with the term Interventionist and the negative connotation that goes with it. She also talked about her son and some concerns. Dr. Roach agreed to reach out and set up a meeting with mom.
- Shannon Eagers asked about students being able to take home their iPads.
- Tiffany Mack talked about her 2nd grader being quarantined and some of the struggles that they have endured during that time. Expressed gratitude to the school and her student's teacher.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

<u>MOTION</u>: Motion was made by <u>Bo</u> and seconded by <u>Sandy</u> to adjourn the meeting of the Berkeley Charter Education Association. The meeting adjourned at <u>7:53</u>.

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, October 28th, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m. Mevers School of Excellence



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From: Jeff Hajek <<u>hajekjm@gmail.com</u>> Date: September 23, 2021 at 5:55:41 PM EDT To: Stewart Weinberg <<u>stewartweinberg@me.com</u>> Subject: Resignation

Stewart,

As of today, I am tendering my resignation as a board member and treasurer of the Berkeley Charter Education Association.

Thank you so much for the opportunity to serve on such a fantastic board.

Best of luck to all of you.

Best, Jeff Hajek



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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING September 23, 2021 6:00 p.m. – Executive Session 6:30 p.m. – Regular Meeting Berkeley Preparatory Academy

Attendance			
Print Name	Signature		
1. Amanda Palmer	all		
2. Shannon Eagers	Start		
3. Carl litale	at the		
4. Tiffany Mack 5. Kuuni Hendleix	Big mack		
5. Kuomi Hendleix	ALAX		
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