



MEETING HELD AT:

Mevers School of Excellence

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

	PRESENT	NOT PRESENT	TERM EXPIRATION DATE
Dr. Stewart Weinberg President	x		May 2024
Cheryl Hollis Vice-President	x		May 2023
Brian Williams Treasurer	x		May 2023
Danielle Statler Secretary	Zoom		May 2023
Alicia Patton Director	x		May 2023
Brandi VanGordor Director	Zoom		May 2024
Tamara Jackson Director	Zoom		May 2024

NON-BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDING:

1. Brenda Corley, Principal – Mevers School of Excellence
2. Jordan Coward, Assistant Principal - Berkeley Preparatory
3. Lianne Morton, State Finance Director
4. Dr. Todd Trimble, State Director - CSUSA
5. Susan Gibson, Deputy Director – CSUSA
6. Carol Aust, Director of External Affairs and Board Governance – CSUSA
7. Stephanie Lowerre -Financial Analyst - CSUSA
8. Penny Walcott, Finance & Accounting Manager- CSUSA
9. Dr. Bill Roach, Charter Institute of Erskine
10. Maclain Gutkin, MUSC Wellness
11. Dr. Kathleen Head, Associated Director, MUSC Wellness

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

- CALL TO ORDER
Pursuant to public notice, Board President, Dr. Stewart Weinberg called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.
- PLEDGE OF THE ALLEGIANCE
- ROLL CALL
Roll call was held, and quorum was established.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

APPROVAL

MOTION: Motion was made by Brian and seconded by Alicia to go into executive session to discuss contractual matters at 6:01 P.M.



MOTION: Motion was made by Cheryl and seconded by Tammy to come out of executive session at 6:23 P.M. Motion passed unanimously.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE

- APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

- **MOTION:** Motion was made by Alicia and seconded by Cheryl to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

- APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 26 AND FEBRUARY 13, 2023, MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: Motion was made by Brian and seconded by Danielle to approve the January 26 and February 13, 2023, meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. CSUSA REPORTS

- Dr. Todd Trimble State Director Report

Dr. Trimble presented the winter academic achievement data for both BPA and Mevers. He explained the state surveys taken by students, teachers and parents this spring. Requested information on how the report card data is calculated for each school.

Dr. Trimble advised that due to promised parent confidentiality, he is unable to release the individual survey responses but can provide a summary.

Dr. Trimble presented the 2022/2023 February withdrawal reasons with frequency for Mevers and BPA. Cheryl asked to think outside the box to encourage parents to write more positive community statements. Brian requested the total number of students who withdrew from each school.

Dr. Trimble shared today's professional development for both schools which included extensive school safety training done by Anna Cordell. Brian requested the security training be shared with parents in the weekly newsletter.

Stewart requested Brian work with Susan regarding the vendor list and their contracts.



- **Berkeley Preparatory Academy Principal Report**
Assistant Principal Jordan Coward gave an update on BPA events including parent roundtable, strategies for withdrawal reasons, completed first QUEST visit, teacher vacancies, testing staff updates, recent hires, summer bash and enrollment of 718 students and 268 on the waiting list. 95% of the students have completed the intent to return application.
- **Mevers School of Excellence Principal Report**
Ms. Corley gave an update on MSE events including dine and donate at Texas Roadhouse, first basketball game hosted on January 28, 2023, marketing update, students will be surveyed which clubs they are interested in, teacher vacancies, e-learning, staff updates, and enrollment of 899 students. 690 students have completed the intent to return application.

- **MUSC Wellness**
Dr. Kathleen Head and Maclain Gutkin from MUSC presented on the MUSC Boeing Center for Children's Wellness and the federal requirements and guidelines for Health Hunger Free Children and the 10 components of a LWP.

They explained next steps – Hold a wellness committee meeting at your school – Review and update Wellness Policy – Develop wellness goals for this year based on TAR.

Dr. Trimble requested that Maclain Gutkin share the wellness report sent to the SC Department of Education and Brian requested the report be shared with the board.

Dr. Head answered board member questions on the wellness program and the data collected on students.

- **Susan Gibson Deputy Director Report**
Mrs. Gibson provided grant updates for both MSE & BPA regarding reimbursements received. She advised that she will provide an updated ESSR III breakdown by year and presented the school calendar for 2023/2024 school year.

MOTION: Motion was made by Brian and seconded by Alicia to approve the 2023/2024 school year calendar. Motion passed unanimously.

- **Financials**

Stewart advised the WJSE website and Facebook page have been created. They have also started the search for a principal and are moving ahead with the building.



The Board was updated on Financials for both schools by Brian.

MOTION: Motion was made by Brian and seconded by Cheryl to approve the Mevers financials for January 2023. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Motion was made by Brian and seconded by Alicia to approve the BPA financials January 2023. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Motion was made by Brian and seconded by Alicia to approve the 22/23 budget amendments to the annual budget for Mevers. Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: 1 Motion was made by Brian and seconded by Cheryl to approve the 22/23 budget amendments to the annual budget for BPA. Motion passed unanimously.

Brian thanked the staff for all their efforts with the budget amendments.

Stewart requested preliminary budget to be presented in March not April and to host budget workshops as part of the board meetings.

V. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kristin Foldvik presented updates on the BPA playground with the goal of raising \$100,000. \$11,000 has been raised to date. April 25th they are hosting a Fun Run fundraiser. Stewart advised playgrounds need board and OSF approval prior to being build.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion was made by Cheryl and seconded by Alicia to adjourn the meeting of the Berkeley Charter Education Association. The meeting adjourned at 8:54 PM.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING:
Thursday, March 23, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.
Berkeley Preparatory Academy

3/23/23