
Berkeley Charter Education Association, Inc.



BCEA Special Called Meeting

Tue Mar 18, 2025 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM EDT

1. Call to Order

- 5:30 general meeting called to order
- 5:40 Executive Session called to order
- 6:30 Executive Session Adjourned
- 6:35 General Meeting called to order

1.1. Roll Call

- Stewart
- Cheryl
- Brian
- Simplicia
- Alicia
- Wayne
- Tammy

1.2. BCEA Mission & Vision

1.3. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Executive Session

- 5:40 Exec session called to order
- motion - Bryan
- second- Brandi
- Motion passed
- 6:30 Exec Session concluded

2.1. Matters incident to school administrator personnel policy and legal matters incident to Berkeley Charter Education Association, Inc. v. Red Apple Development , LLC

3. Approval of Agenda

- Motion to approve Agenda
- Brandi to motion
- Bryan second
- Motioned passed

3.1. March 18, 2025

4. Financial Reports

4.1. Berkeley Preparatory Academy, January 31, 2025

Bryan to present financials

Bryan to motion

Brandi to second

Motion passed

Bryan - Motion to amend the budget to capture the annual forecast as the new amended 2025 Budget

Brandi to second

Motion passed

4.2. Mevers School of Excellence, January 31, 2025

Bryan to present financials

Bryan to motion

Brandi to second

Motion passed

Bryan - Motion to amend the budget to capture the annual forecast as the new amended 2025 Budget

Brandi to second

Motion passed.

5. Board Discussions and Actions

5.1. 2025 -2026 Teacher Salary Schedule

Susan to present

Retention numbers - staff and teachers -

MSE - 63 people filed intent to return, 6 indicated they will not be returning

BPA - 82 people filed intent to return, 8 indicated they will not be returning

Bryan - Motion to propose the state proposed minimum of \$48,500 as the teacher salary schedule.

Bryan to amend the motion - The finance committee can amend the salary sched if the budget allows for more of an increase, if the per pupil allocation increases or there is a decrease in expenditures the minimum salary schedule can increase.

Wayne to Second

Motion passed

5.1.1. Budget Implications for MSE and BPA

5.2. Action taken on matters discussed in Executive Session, if any.

On Friday MARCH 14, 2025 - CSUSA filed a lawsuit against Berkeley Charter Education Association Inc. and The Charter Institute at Erskine Inc.

In response to the lawsuit the board is presenting 2 resolutions -

Resolution 1 - BCA will be canceling their contract for Mevers School of Excellence with CSUSA effective June 30, 2025.

Resolution 2 - BCA will be canceling their contract for Berkeley Preparatory Academy with CSUSA effective June 30, 2025.

Bryan motion to approved the resolution to cancel contract with CSUSA effective June 30, 2025 for MSE

Cheryl to second

Motion passed

Bryan to motion to approve the resolution to cancel contact with CSUSA effective June 30, 2025for BPA

Brandi to second

Motion passed

Brandi - I am a parent and a teacher within the county - Our board made motion to bring litigation against Red Apple Development LLC for Excessive rents - we did not choose to sue CSUSA, they chose to sue us. CSUSA has chosen to take action against our board. They are going against the children and the families of MSE and BPA. BCEA is here to support the children, families, teachers, and administration.

Cheryl - This is about the kids and staff, the community that supports our school. The board is committed to the success of our students, CSUSA does not have control over the board and will not have control. We will continue to fight for the students and the community.

Stewart - The board is trying to do what is best for our students - CSUSA and Red Apple are not doing what is best for the students, they are doing what is best for their bottom line.

To start the transition we will be hiring a Director of Schools. The position will be posted in the next few weeks. We believe that our principals are doing what is best for the schools. They are role models for our families and are willing to learn.

The board hopes to work together to continue the success of both MSE and BPA. The board will be meeting with teachers and staff to go over a transition plan.

6. Public Comment

7. Adjournment

Cheryl - Motion to adjourn meet at 7:47pm

Brandi to second

Motion passed.

7.1. Next Meeting: March 27, 2025

