

Meeting Minutes

Subject	Belton Preparatory Academy Board of Directors	Date	October 9, 2023
Facilitator	Angie King	Time	6:00 p.m.
Location	BPA Conference Room (Upper level)	Scribe	Amanda Dyar Moss
Attendees	Angie King, Zack MacInnis, Amanda Dyar Moss, Ryan Butler, Candace Whitfield, and Rachel Sibilio		
Public Attendees	Alan Barr, James Galyean, Jamie Brumer (Zoom), Monique Bustamante (Zoom); Bill Roach, Cameron Runyan, Amanda Tucker, Katriel Rea, Missy Brakefield, Mike Sinclair, Dylan, Ashley Story (via phone), Allison; parents and staff of BPA		

Key Points Discussed		
No.	Topic	Highlights
1.	Call to Order	Meeting called to order at 6:02pm
2.	Invocation	Invocation led by Angie King
3.	Pledge of Allegiance	All members and guests recited the Pledge of Allegiance
4.	Freedom of Information Act Compliance	In compliance with FOIA. The agenda was posted to the website, BPA Facebook page, and at the school on Friday, October 6, 2023.
5.	Approval of Agenda	Motion to approve the agenda by Rachel Sibilio, 2 nd by Zack MacInnis. All in favor; Motion carries.
6.	Public Comment	<p>Public comment was moved up on the agenda to respect the attending guests' time.</p> <p>Kerri Faith Cooper emailed a request to speak to the Board during the meeting. Per the public policy, upon emailed request, the speaker is allowed 3 minutes to share publicly.</p> <p>One request to speak during board meeting by Kerri Faith Cooper-a parent of 4 children; brought forth several concerns as follows: paying R&R for services a benefit and concerns about changing EMO, fundraising concerns, lack of notification regarding the groundbreaking, financial oversight of management company, meeting compliance/qualifications for staffing; additionally, requested a statement from the board chair addressing these questions/concerns</p>
7.	Executive Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contractual Matters • Legal Advice 	Motion to move to executive session by Zack MacInnis, 2 nd by Amanda Dyar Moss; All in favor; Motion carries.
		Motion to move out of executive session by Rachel Sibilio, 2 nd by Zack MacInnis; All in favor; motion carries.

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8.	Possible action item(s) from the executive session	None
9.	Approval of August 14, 2023 Minutes (Action)	Motion to approve August 14 minutes by Zack MacInnis 2 nd by Rachel Sibilio. All in favor; Motion carries.
10.	Approval of September 14, 2023 Minutes (Action)	Motion to approve September 4 minutes by Amanda Dyar Moss; 2 nd by Zack MacInnis; All in favor; Motion carries.
11.	Approval of September 28, 2023 Minutes (Action)	Motion to approve September 28 minutes by Candace Whitfield; 2 nd by Rachel Sibilio. All in favor; Motion carries.
12.	Board Elections	The two seats held by Candace Whitfield and Blake Cooper will be up for re-election in November. Angie has emailed Kevin Mason with the Charter Alliance to assist in the elections and is awaiting a reply. Informative emails will be coming out regarding nominations and election timeline; Nominees will be expected to submit a resume and statement; Voting will then occur over a 2-3 day period;
13.	Review of financials (Jamie Brumer and Monique Bustamante)	R&R has received updated allocations from the Institute and the budget has been updated at approximately \$2.9 million with revisions; No additional restructuring anticipated at this time as long as enrollment stays the same pending the 45 day count; The board has requested emails regarding financials that have yet to be received for July and August. September is in reconcile and being updated with the latest budget.
14.	Principal's Report and Updates (Alan Barr) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrollment update • Middle School Programmatic Plans 	Mr. Barr stated enrollment is at 287; They are working on a plan at the middle school to keep the core academics in the morning with related arts after lunch. Parents should look for emails from Mr. Barr regarding updates over the next few weeks. Mr. Barr reports he did email parents regarding the groundbreaking but was unsure if they had received this email.
15.	Building Updates (Angie King)	The groundbreaking was not open to the public as it has been deemed an "active construction site" and dangerous to have visitors on site. There will, however, be a public ribbon cutting even once the school is complete. Currently awaiting OSF for final permits. Footings and foundation are expected in about 2 weeks.
16.	EMO Updates (Jamie Brumer)	Payroll will be transitioning to a differing provider on November 1 st . An orientation will take place with employees over the next 1-2 weeks. Everyone within the school has now transitioned over to R&R emails. Jamie Brumer has officially moved into the role of CEO at R&R.

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14.	Miscellaneous/Other from the Board	<p>Reason and Republic is over the teachers at present. We are working on the issues that have been brought to the board.</p> <p>Several of the concerns Kerri Faith Cooper stated during her public comment were addressed by Angie King.</p> <p>Statement provided by Angie King that we recognize the loss of key members and, going forward, the board will work to create a stable environment at Belton Prep; The Truist account has \$18,172 in it at present, the account is managed by the board treasurer Rachel Sibilio, with deposits to account from fundraising being made by Misti Black.</p> <p>Groundbreaking was discussed at the previous board meeting, however, Angie stated she could have done better to remind board members. An email was sent to Mr. Barr and asked to push out to BPA parents. Mr. Barr confirmed receiving and states he sent the email out to parents. Unfortunately, there was little room to park and the ceremony was intended to be small. Angie states she called each board member and apologized for the upset.</p> <p>Regarding parents' concerns not having a cafeteria, the original design includes a cafetorium that will function to provide hot meals and have warming stations. This remains in the plan. The students will not eat in classrooms, but eat in the cafetorium. There was never a plan to have a prep kitchen to serve meals.</p> <p>The bonds for the building include some cushion to assist in providing a playground. Alternate options include fundraising.</p>
15.	Next Meeting	<p>A board meeting to include executive session is planned tentatively for Wednesday, October 11, 2023.</p> <p>The December meeting is TBA.</p>
		<p>Motion to adjourn at 10:12 by Angie Kind, 2nd by Amanda Dyar Moss; All in favor; motion carries.</p>

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Board Member Signatures		
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