



**WEST BUFFALO CHARTER SCHOOL
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
JANUARY 22, 2018
2:30 PM
113 LAFAYETTE AVENUE, BUFFALO, NEW YORK
MONTHLY MEETING**

Board Members

Present: Michelle Stevens, James Sampson, Robert Gamble, Amy Friedman, Lynn Shea, James Deuschle

Excused: Richard Baer

Also Present: Andrea Todoro, Liz Sterns, Thomas Schenk

Quorum Present: Yes

Call to Order

Mrs. Stevens called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM. Quorum present.

Proof of Public Notice of Meeting

Media and public announcement was sent on Monday, January 15th, 2018 to print, radio, and TV outlets announcing this open meeting. A posting was also sent to Erie County Hall, Buffalo City Hall and Buffalo City Court. In addition, it was publicly displayed at 50 East North Street and posted on the WBCS website. The Board of Trustees was duly notified of this meeting well within the timeline of our bylaws.

Monthly Meeting

Review of the November, 2017 Meeting Minutes

(December 2017 meeting was a work session only)

Minutes of the November, 2017 Board of Trustees meeting were presented for approval.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Sampson and seconded by Mr. Deuschle, the minutes of the November 26th, 2017 Board meeting were approved as presented. All in favor. Non-opposed.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Sampson and seconded by Mr. Deuschle, the November 30th, 2017 financials were approved as presented. All in favor. Non-opposed.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Sampson and seconded by Mr. Deuschle, the Cradle Beach Living Classroom contract was approved as presented. All in favor. Non-opposed.

Financial Report

Mrs. Sterns presented the financial reports for the period ending December 31st, 2017 (a copy is attached hereto and made a part hereof).

- Mrs. Sterns presented information/overview of the State audit currently underway.
- Mr. Bear, although unable to physically attend the recent board meetings due to health-related issues, has been providing construction updates to the board on a weekly basis.
- Mrs. Sterns presented an overview of the current financials.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Sampson and seconded by Mrs. Friedman, the December 31st, 2017 financials were approved as presented. All in favor. Non-opposed.

School Leader Report

- Mrs. Todoro gave an overview of what to expect March 21st and March 22nd when SED visits WBCS for the mid-term renewal visit. Mrs. Todoro will confirm as to the day and time that SED will want to meet with the board (most likely on March 21st).
- Mrs. Todoro presented information pertaining to the Charter School/BPS Collaboration meeting that took place on January 19th, 2018. Various task forces will be established with WBCS taking the lead for the Special Education task force.

- Mrs. Todoro presented a visual overview pertaining to the 2016-2017 accountability status and adequate yearly progress (AYP) with a discussion that followed.
- Mrs. Todoro is requesting that the Academic Committee engage in regular meetings with her and then subsequently report back to the board.

Governance Committee

- Mrs. Friedman presented the details of the various language changes that have been made in the WBCS bylaws.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Deuschle and seconded by Mrs. Stevens, the amended bylaws were approved as presented. All in favor. Non-opposed.

- Discussion regarding the potential change in time for the monthly board meetings. There was not a consensus as to what time would work for everyone. Next month's meeting on February 26th will remain at 2:30 PM. The discussion will continue at the next meeting.

Adjournment

Being that there is no further business to discuss, a motion to dismiss was made by Mrs. Friedman and seconded by Mr. Deuschle. The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Leslie Bunis Ohl

The next WBCS BoT meeting will take place on Monday, February 26th, 2018 at 2:30 PM at West Buffalo Charter School.