

**BADEN ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting**

August 15, 2016

Call to order

The meeting was called to order on Monday, August 15, 2016 by Mr. Fleeson, at 5:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present:

Mr. Jerry Fleeson

Mrs. Marta Karwoski

Dr. Alison Mirasola

Mr. John Silbert

Dr. Pamela Rossi-Keen (via phone)

Absent:

Dr. Andrew Oberg

Adopt Agenda

Dr. Mirasola motioned to adopt the agenda. Mr. Silbert seconded the motion and it was approved by all.

Public Comment None

Administrator's Report

Ms. Bensink reported that the feedback from teachers and parents about the newly hired administrators has been very positive. Ms. Bensink reported that new Bios are being written for our new staff.

We had our Kindergarten and new student orientation that went well. The bus was a bit of an issue that some students were a bit of afraid, but we will try to tweak it next year.

The school has come up with a teaching philosophy and rational of art integration for staff. We want to remind the teachers to understand that they must use art integration in the classroom; it's what our school is about. It was presented to the teachers in a very simple way on how to include art integration in their classroom at the in-service today. The teachers were very receptive and said it was explained well and they feel that they could easily integrate art into their lessons.

Our Safe School's report was submitted to the state successfully.

Ms. Bensink also reported that we are adding gravel to the sides of the road to widen the road on the side of the gym.

Correspondence The Lincoln Learning service report was submitted for July.

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Solicitor's Report

The school code is amended due to the response of the lawsuits that the charter schools filed in that we now have administrative remedy to collect money's owed from the districts after June 30th. The problem of what they're suggesting is that there is no procedure or ramification for how to do it. There is no deadline for the districts to act. We will go back and let them know that there needs to be clarification on this and a deadline. We still are playing games with funding. The Ready to Learn grant is no longer available for us.

Office of Civil Rights out of Washington is going after school districts and charter schools that don't have web compliant accessibility for those with disabilities, especially those that are visually impaired. We need to look into our website to make sure we are in compliance.

Financial

Dr. Mirasola motioned that the Board approved the financial item a. and b. below, Mr. Fleeson seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

- a. Recommend the Board approve the attached financial statements as of July 31, 2016**
- b. Recommend the Board approve the list of invoices paid in July 2016 totaling \$250,097.16 from the General Fund**

Grow A Generation

Mr. Silbert motioned that the Board approve the contract with Grow A Generation for the 2016-17 school year and was seconded by Mrs. Karwoski. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

Hope Learning Center

Mr. Fleeson motioned that the Board approve the contract with The Hope Learning Center for the 2016-17 school year and was seconded by Dr. Mirasola. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

Beaver County YMCA

Mrs. Karwoski motioned that the Board approve the contract with the Beaver County YMCA for the 2016-2017 school year for a physical education teacher. Mr. Fleeson seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Executive Session

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Mr. Silbert motioned to move into Executive Session in order to discuss Personnel issues in accordance with the Sunshine Law. Mr. Fleeson seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously. Mr. Silbert motioned and Mrs. Karwoski seconded to leave executive session. Motion carried.

Personnel Report

Mr. Silbert motioned to approve the amended personnel report and Mrs. Karwoski seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

New School Board Member

Dr. Mirasola motioned that the Board approve appointing a new school board member, Dave Yates and it was seconded by Mr. Silbert. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was passed with the following results:

Mr. Silbert-yes

Dr. Mirasola-yes

Dr. Rossi-Keen-yes

Mr. Fleeson-yes

Mrs. Karwoski abstained.

Adjourn

Mrs. Karwoski motioned that the Board adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Mr. Silbert. The motion was passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Signed by: _____

Dr. Pamela Rossi-Keen

Board Secretary