

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

January 24, 2022

Call to order

The meeting was called to order on Monday, January 24, 2022 at 6:08 pm by Mrs. Karwoski

Roll Call

Present:
Marta Karwoski
Connie Mabin
Tom Ward
John Silbert
Lisa Houy
Charlie Camp

Absent:
Roylin Petties

Madam Chairperson, we have a quorum.

Pledge of Allegiance

Adopt Amended Agenda

Motion: Mr. Silbert
Seconded: Mr. Ward
Discussion:
Passed unanimously

Recommend that the Board approve the minutes from the December 20, 2021 regular board meeting.

Motion: Mrs. Houy
Seconded: Ms. Mabin
Discussion:
Passed unanimously

Public Comment:

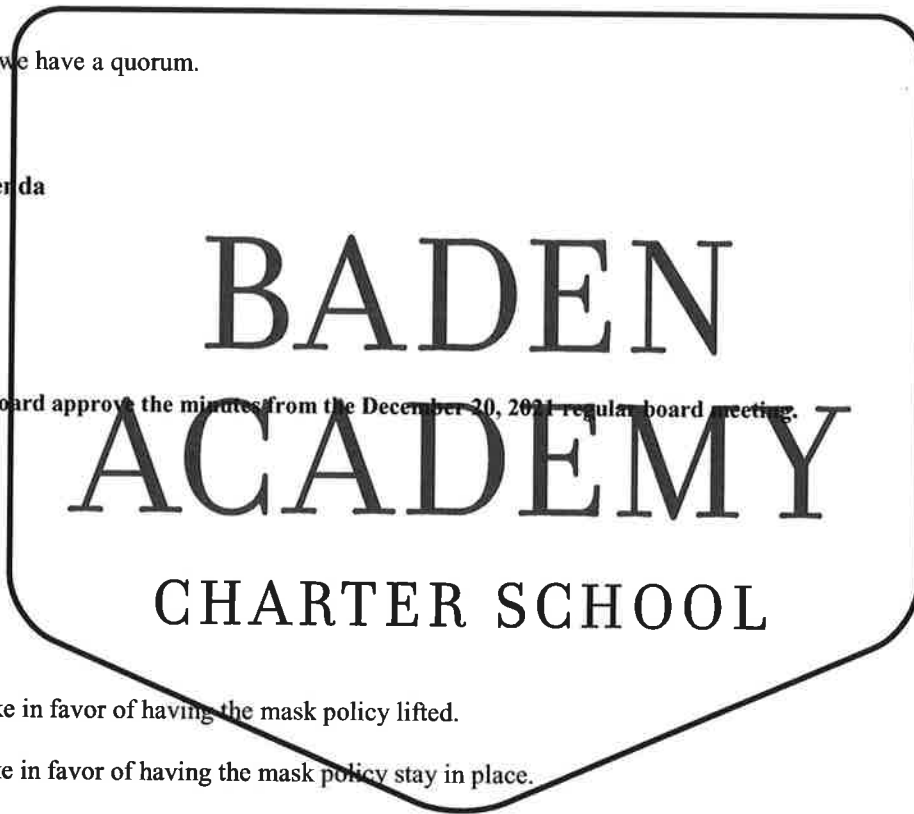
Mrs. Kelly Bitzer spoke in favor of having the mask policy lifted.

Mr. David Felder spoke in favor of having the mask policy stay in place.

Correspondence: None

Administrator's Report

- ❖ We kicked off our partnership with the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust to provide our students with an Artist Residency Program beginning January 12. Students were excited and highly engaged in each grade-level kick-off assembly and all of the visits we have had so far from the Cultural Trust. As a reminder - Kdg- dance, first grade- theatre, second grade- creative writing, third grade – sculpting and weaving, fourth grade- musical theatre, fifth grade- drumming and sixth grade- photography.
- ❖ Students and Directors from Lincoln Park Performing Arts Charter School spent the day with the sixth grade students at Baden Academy on January 11 to provide master classes.



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- ❖ We held a Student Information Session for perspective students for the 2022-2023 school year on, Wednesday, January 19, several families attended. Parents and students were given an overview of the school, our mission and vision and also a school tour.
- ❖ Mr. Niles Boyd will be speaking to the fourth - sixth grade students, the staff and BACS families on Wednesday, January 26. A brief bio for Mr. Boyd is included in your packets.
- ❖ We completed the ARP ESSER Grant Application; we are using a portion of the funds to create an outdoor learning space where the secret garden is – outside of the Atrium.
- ❖ Kindergarten screenings will be held on February 18.
- ❖ Parent/Teacher conferences will be held February 4 with no school for students that day.
- ❖ This week is National School Choice Week- Baden Academy is celebrating with a spirit week where students and staff wear certain things on each day to celebrate. (Hat day, BACS gear, House gear. etc.)

Recommend the Board approve the financials a, b and c below:

- a. **Recommend the Board approve the list of invoices paid in December 2021 in the amount of \$481,399.95 from the general fund.**
- b. **Recommend the Board approve the financials dated December 31, 2021.**
- c. **Recommend the board approve the 6/30/21 audited financial statement.**

Motion: Mr. Ward
Seconded: Ms. Mabin
Discussion:
Passed Unanimously

Review BACS's Health and Safety Plan.

Discussion:

Mr. Ward want to keep masking in place, so that students may remain in school.
Mr. Silbert opposed to masking.
Ms. Mabin and Mrs. Karwoski agree that masks seem to be doing job and should be kept them in place.
Mrs. Houy remains opposed to masking.

Masks will remain in place, and it will be reevaluated next month again.

Executive Session

Recommend the Board go into executive session to discuss legal and personnel matters, in accordance with Pennsylvania's *Sunshine Law*, 65 Pa.C.S.A. § At 6:25 pm

Motion: Mrs. Houy
Seconded: Mr. Silbert
Discussion:
Passed unanimously

Recommend the Board come out of executive session at 7:02pm

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Seconded: Mr. Ward
Discussion:
Passed Unanimously

Recommend that the Board approve the personnel report dated January 24, 2022

Motion: Mr. Ward
Second: Mr. Silbert
Discussion:
Passed: Passed Unanimously

Board Member Questions & Comments:

Date of next Board Meeting is February 28, 2022 at 6 pm

Adjourn at 7:10pm

Motion: Mrs. Houy
Second: Ms. Mabin
Discussion:
Passed: Passed Unanimously

Signed by:

Chelsea Mason

Mrs. Chelsea Mason

Secretary

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