

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

*December 19, 2022*

**Call to order**

The meeting was called to order on Monday December 19, 2022 at 6:00 pm by Mrs. Karwoski

**Roll Call**

Present:

Roylin Petties  
Charlie Camp  
Marta Karwoski  
Connie Mabin  
Tom Ward  
John Silbert

Excused: Lisa Houy

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Adopt Agenda**

Motion: Mr. Silbert  
Seconded: Ms. Mabin  
Discussion:  
Passed unanimously

**Recommend that the Board approve the minutes from the November 21, 2022 regular Board meeting.**

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

**Public Comment: None**

**Correspondence:** Note sent to Mr. Jeffers recognizing the work of the students and teachers who sang at the Sisters' Christmas Party.

**Administrator's Report**

The PTP hosted "Family Night" in the gymnasium on Sunday, December 4. Families were able to preview Santa's shop, take pictures with Santa, write letters to Santa, and enjoy Christmas cookies and hot coco.

- BACS and Lincoln Park held an evening ZOOM information session for prospective 6th grade students where they listened to a presentation about LP's departments and answered any questions our students may have had.
- Our winter showcases were held last week (12/12-16) and were livestreamed on Facebook for those who could not attend in person.
- On Thursday, December 22, we will be celebrating the top two students' in each grade from every House who earned the most points so far this year. The students will be called down to the gym where they will be met by staff members who will seat them, then guide them down the VIP red carpet; to be recognized. As they walk down the carpet they will be able to mingle with their housemates and celebrate our four houses being one home. This event

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will include the entire school as we would like each classroom teacher and/or Elements teacher (depending on individual schedules) to watch the celebration live on their smartboard!

- We have opened up our Kindergarten lottery and already have 20 students. The official lottery for next school year will be held on January 26.
- Dr. JoWanda Rollins will be coming to Baden Academy on Tuesday, January 3 to speak about the book "Emotional Poverty" by Ruby Payne. This will give the staff strategies to bond with students and deal with behavior issues that stem from emotions and how to stimulate emotional development in the classroom.
- Monday, December 19th through Thursday, December 22nd BACS will celebrate the holidays with Holiday Spirit Week.
  - Monday, 12/19- Long winter nap - Prepare for a perfect break by wearing your comfiest PJs!
  - Tuesday 12/20- Ugly Christmas Sweaters always look better together! We all have one, and today is the day to wear it. Dress in your favorite Christmas gear; the uglier the better!
  - Wednesday 12/21-HOUSE GEAR DAY and Baby, Its Cold Outside- In addition to your house gear, bundle up in your favorite winter scarf and hat!
  - Thursday 12/22- Festive Holiday Colors Day- for the ½ day in-service.
- BACS students have been asked to participate in the MLK Day celebration at Lincoln Park. They will be singing a spiritual version of "If I had a Hammer" by Peter Paul and Mary. A group of students from choir will be bussed to Lincoln Park on January 5 to record their portion of the program.
- We will be holding an all staff in-service on Thursday, December 22. The schedule and topics for the in-service include:
  - 8:00 - 8:30 am - Breakfast
  - 8:00 - 8:30 am - 5th and 6th grade teachers will report (after grabbing breakfast) to the conference room on the 3rd floor for a brief training on a pilot program.
  - 8:30 - 9:00 am - Navigate 360 Training and overview with Olivia Wilde from Navigate 360.
  - 9:00 - 11:00 am - Diversity Training with Lisa Jordan.
  - 11:00 am - 12:00 pm - McKinney-Vento Training with Deb Martin.

**Recommend the Board approve the financials below**

- a. **Recommend the Board approve the list of invoices paid in November 2022 in the amount of \$452,044.60 from the general fund.**
- b. **Recommend the Board approve the financials dated November 30, 2022.**

Motion: Mr. Ward  
Second: Mr. Petties  
Discussion:  
Passed unanimously

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**Recommend that the Board approve Envirocare Proposal**

Motion: Mr. Silbert

Second: Mr. Ward

Discussion: Ms. Lennon applauded the work that Envirocare does. The staff is amazing to work with and is so good with the kids.

**Review BACS's Health and Safety Plan.**

Mr. Camp offered the suggestion to have meetings on Zoom until Spring to keep illness at bay. The other Board members agreed it was a good idea.

**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: Mr. Camp

Second: Mr. Ward

Discussion:

Passed: Unanimously

Recommend the Board come out of executive session at 6:39 pm

Motion: Mr. Camp

Second: Mr. Petties

Discussion:

Passed: Passed Unanimously

**Board Member Questions & Comments:**

**Date of next Board Meeting is January 23, 2023 at 6 pm**

**Adjourn at 6:41 pm**

Motion: Mr. Camp

Second: Mr. Ward

Discussion:

Passed: Passed Unanimously

Signed by: Chelsea Mason

Mrs. Chelsea Mason

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Secretary

