

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

November 15, 2021

Call to order

The meeting was called to order on Monday, November 15, 2021 at 6:00 pm by Mrs. Karwoski

Roll Call

Present:

Marta Karwoski
Connie Mabin
Tom Ward
John Silbert
Roylin Petties
Lisa Houy

Absent:

Pledge of Allegiance

Adopt Agenda

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

Charles Camp was sworn in as a new trustee to the Baden Academy Board.

Recommend that the Board approve the minutes from the October 18, 2021 regular Board meeting.

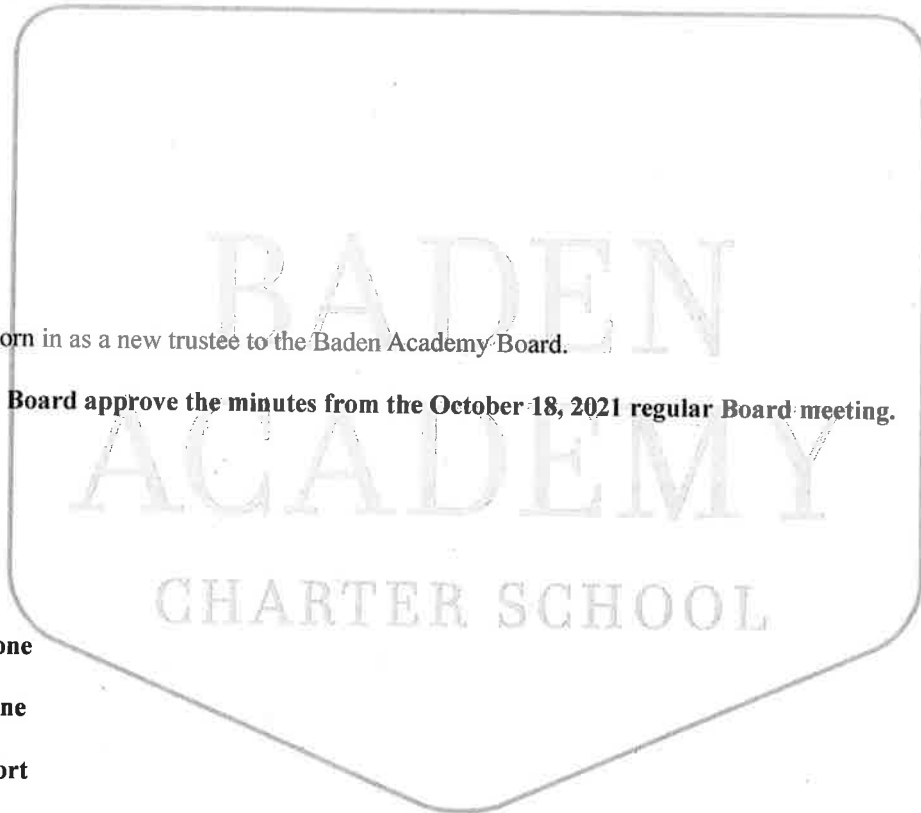
Motion: Mr. Ward
Seconded: Ms. Mabin
Discussion:
Passed unanimously

Public Comment: None

Correspondence: None

Administrator's Report

- The second round of House Meetings was held on October 29 with the theme of Relationship Skills; all houses focused on what they can do to promote positive relationship skills in their classrooms and throughout the school.
- Girls on the Run is holding a 5k at North Park on Sunday, November 21 at 10:00 am.
- The Kindergarten Mini Musical will be held on Thursday, November 18 at 10:00 am in the auditorium; shuttle busses are being provided by Rhodes Transport to bus families from the Baden Walmart to Baden Academy.
- The first nine-weeks grading period concluded on October 28; parent/teacher conferences were held last Thursday and Friday in person and also on ZOOM.
- Media Lab clubs began meeting on November 1
 - Take Action Club



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- Future Cities Competition Team
- Chess Club
- CoSpaces Club
- Future Engineers
- Stained Glass Club
- RFP was posted for cleaning services last week as well as postings for custodians who would potentially be on the Baden Academy payroll.
- Special education aide Danielle Anderson will be deployed next month to Kuwait.
- The Admin Team held a conference call with UPMC Children's Hospital to discuss the possibility of BACS being a community site for all individuals eligible for vaccination.

Recommend the Board approve the financials a and b below

- a. **Recommend the Board approve the list of invoices paid in October, 2021 in the amount of \$285,348.61 from the general fund.**
- b. **Recommend the Board approve the financials dated October 31, 2021**

Motion: Mr. Ward
Second: Ms. Houy
Discussion:
Passed unanimously

Recommend that the Board approve the proposal with Nye Technical Services to replace the Verkada Cameras.

Motion: Ms. Houy
Second: Mr. Petties
Discussion: There were three bids and this was recommended by Mr. Petro. The relicensing fee for Verkada brings the cost much higher than the Nye quote
Passed unanimously

Public comment on non-agenda items

Ms. Maranda Lentz, a parent of three students, asked the Board to please consider removing the mask requirement due to the Commonwealth Court ruling on masks. Mr. Pollak clarified that the ruling was not on the efficacy of masks; it was that the Governor Wolf didn't have the authority to issue a mandate due to not being in a state of emergency. This Board also took action before any mandate made it a requirement, so the court ruling is not relevant to the Board's decision to require masks. Ms. Lentz also wanted to tell the Board she did not feel the school should have a vaccine clinic set up in the school for students.

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 6:15 pm

Motion: Mr. Ward
Second: Ms. Houy
Discussion:
Passed:

Recommend the Board come out of executive session at 7:15 pm

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

Recommend that the Board approve the Personnel Report dated November 15, 2021

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

Board Member Questions & Comments: None

Date of next Board Meeting is December 20, 2021 at 6 pm

Adjourn at 7:30 pm

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

Signed by: Chelsea Mason

Mrs. Chelsea Mason

Secretary

