



SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD
Bridges Preparatory Academy
Monday, August 15, 2022

A special meeting of the Board of Directors for Bridges Preparatory Academy, a California nonprofit corporation was held on Monday, August 15, 2022 via a public Zoom conference from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

Present: Trena Spurlock, Bryan Lee, David Owen, Bryan Lee, Miguel Angel Romero, Mary Louise Silva

Others Present: Alejandro Gomez

CALL TO ORDER

David Owen called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. Mr. Owen acknowledged all staff and board members present.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- June 30, 2022 - *The minutes were approved as presented.*

It was **MOVED by** Trena Spurlock and **SECONDED by** David Owen to approve the minutes.

Yes vote: Trena Spurlock, David Owen, Miguel Angel Romero, Mary Louise Silva

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was **MOVED by** Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED by** Trena Spurlock to approve the agenda.

Yes vote: Trena Spurlock, David Owen, Miguel Angel Romero, Mary Louise Silva

COMMUNICATIONS (Board Member Comments)

None

COMMUNICATIONS (Public Comment)

None.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Mr. Gomez provided the following executive summary:

- **Enrollment** - an additional 60 students were recruited for the new school year. BPA lost a few students as a result of graduating 8th graders and a few students that moved to another school. BPA has distributed over 30,000 flyers and expects to enroll another 25 students.
- **Teachers** - three new teachers were hired with 100% of teachers returning from last year. BPA now has a full time special education teacher who will be working with a Cross Country to secure needed special education services (such as a speech pathologist).
- **New classrooms** - three new classrooms were opened.
- **First day of school is August 16th** - BPA plans to open tomorrow with 108 students and 3 additional classrooms.
- **Afterschool programming** - BPA plans to submit a proposal to provide after school snacks and additional enrichment services for students such as drama, robotics, and computer programming.
- **Finances** - BPA is financially stable thanks to a healthy average daily attendance. Addison Grant is on vacation and will give a financial update at the next board meeting.

APPROVAL OF 2022-23 LEASE AGREEMENT

Mr. Gomez introduced the new lease agreement to reflect that BPA will now be using more space (2 classrooms and one office) in the current building. Last year the monthly lease agreement was \$9,000 and this year the monthly lease agreement will be \$13,000 as a result of the additional space. The lease is a one year agreement (September 2022 - through August 2023) and includes the option to lease for another year or to buy the building. The new lease also reflects that the owner will pay monthly utilities.

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva by and **SECONDED** by Bryan Lee to approve the new lease agreement.

Yes vote: Trena Spurlock, David Owen, Bryan Lee Miguel Angel Romero, Mary Louise Silva

APPROVAL OF PARENT HANDBOOK

Mr. Gomez provided an overview of BPA's Parent Handbook.

Trena Spurlock recommended the need to edit the handbook to include special education services in the table of contents and a short description that BPA is providing the full complement of special education services to those students who need it.

It was **MOVED** by Trena Spurlock and **SECONDED** by Bryan Lee to approve the **handbook** with the understanding that the edits will be made.

Yes vote: Trena Spurlock, David Owen, Bryan Lee, Miguel Angel Romero, Mary Louise Silva

APPROVAL OF 2022-2023 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Mr. Gomez introduced the school calendar for the new school year. BPA students will be in school for 8 extra days with 8 days of teacher professional development. The school day will start later at 8:15 am and will end at 3:15 pm with after school tutoring provided by teachers from 3:30 to 4:00 PM. The school year ends on June 16, 2023. This year BPA's calendar is more aligned with Compton Unified's school calendar.

It was **MOVED by** Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Trena Spurlock to approve the **2022-2023 calendar**

Yes vote: Trena Spurlock, David, Miguel Angel Romero, Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva

APPROVAL 2022-22 SCHOOL BOARD CALENDAR

Mr. Gomez introduced the 2022-23 school board calendar. Board meetings will take place the third Monday of each month.

It was **MOVED by** Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED by** David Owen to approve the **2022 -2023** school board calendar.

Yes vote: Trena Spurlock, Bryan Lee, Miguel Angel Romero, Mary Louise Silva

ADJOURNMENT

It was **MOVED** by David Owen and **SECONDED** by Bryan Lee to end the meeting at 7: 41pm. All in favor. None opposed