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Belmont Charter School Board of Directors Meeting

Date:	May 1, 2019
Time:	12:00 pm
Location:	Inquiry Charter School, 1301 Belmont Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa 19104

Call to Order: A regular meeting of the Belmont Charter Board of Trustees took place in joint session with Inquiry Charter School Board of Trustees and the Community Education Alliance of West Philadelphia Board of Trustees. The meeting was called to order at 12:04 pm.

Members of the Board in Attendance: Michael Karp, Rebecca Tyer, Dominique Reiff, and Lisa Kaminsky.

Absent Board Members: Steve Parico, Leslie Covey, and Alice Gibbs.

Staff in Attendance: Troy Hardy, Jared Ware, Christopher Hanlon, Jennifer Faustman, Claire Cohen and Shante Davis.

M. Karp began the meeting call for public comment. No public comments were offered.

Resolutions #1. Resolved that the board reviewed and approved the Belmont Charter March 29, 2019 minutes as written. M. Karp moved to affirm; D. Reiff seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Chairman Report: M. Karp motioned to approve the signing of charters for Belmont Charter School based on the terms available.

Operations and Finance Report: J. Ware reported through 3rd quarter financials Belmont Charter School is showing a loss of \$425,000 and we are fundraising to make up the loss. J. Ware also reported a six percent increase in Belmont's health insurance renewal.

CEO Report: J. Faustman reported that the enrollment for Belmont is currently at 825 students. Belmont has significantly reduced from the budgeted number of students presented in June and is down three students from January's report. The kindergarten class is small this year (83 students) and the school lost a significant number of students in grades 2 & 7. Enrollment trends are showing that the school will not increase in size to reach its cap based on feeding the neighborhood trends. Discussions with the district about expanding our enrollment outside of the catchment area are underway to allow for the school to fill to capacity.

ACE reports were released from the School District. Belmont received 70 out of the 100 points possible for academics out performing its peer groups in all categories with the exception of Growth in Science and outperforming the District average in Growth for ELA and Math. Belmont High School received 82% of the possible points for academics outperforming the District in all categories. Both schools outperformed the District average attendance rate.

J. Faustman reported that Belmont Charter School had one teacher termination and one front office termination. There is currently an opening for a Life Skills Teacher.

M. Karp motioned to adjourn the meeting. L. Kaminsky seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 12:37PM