



Belmont Charter Network

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Belmont Charter School Board of Directors Meeting

Date:	April 15, 2020
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 the Inquiry Charter School Board of Trustees and the Community Education Alliance of West Philadelphia Board of Trustees. The meeting was called to order at 12:01 pm.

Members of the Board in Attendance: Michael Karp, Steve Patricio, Alice Gibbs, Dominique Reiff, Leslie Convey, and Lisa Kaminsky.

Absent Board Members:

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

M. Karp called the meeting to order and began the meeting by calling for public comment. No public comments were offered.

The board reviewed the minutes from the December 2019 and February 2020 board meeting. M.Karp moved to approve the minutes as written. L. Kaminsky seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Chairman Report: M. Karp reported that Hotwire was working on a grant to provide internet access to Belmont Charter Network students and staff via an LTE tower.

Operations and Finance Report: The operations and finance report was given by J. Ware. Staff contracts were discussed and reviewed.

CEO Report: J. Faustman gave a report to the Board specific to how the school was navigating Covid-19 and an overview of the school's Continuity of Education Plan. It was reported that over 300 student meals a day have been provided since the beginning of the closure. Paper packets are being passed out to students for continued learning and virtual learning will officially begin on April 13th. New grants have allowed BCN to provide students with technology devices for flexible learning. One device will be provided per family beginning on April 13, 2020. Special education students will have their continued IEP plans in place virtually.

Action Items:

M. Karp requested Statement of Financial Interest forms from each Board member.

Resolution 1: The board reviewed the Education Continuity plan for the remainder of the 19-20 school year. M.Karp motioned to approve the continuity plan as written. L. Kaminsky seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Resolution 2: M. Karp motioned to approve revisions to the calendar made in response to Cov-19 including remaining open April 6,7.8th and closing on May 22nd. The last day of school changed to June 11th. L. Convey seconded that motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Resolution 3: M. Karp motion to approve authorizing J. Faustman to sign 2020-2021 contracts.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10pm.