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Belmont Charter School Board of Directors Meeting

Date:	April 14, 2021
Time:	12:00 pm
Location :	Met virtually (Google Meets) 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 12:07 pm.

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

Absent Board Members: Harold Anderson

Staff in Attendance: Troy Hardy, Jared Ware, Jennifer Faustman, Claire Cohen, Shante Davis, Theresa Doggett and Beth Dyson. Joe Martin from Charter Choices.

M. Karp called the meeting to order at 12:07 pm and began the meeting by calling for public comment. No public comment offered.

Chairman's remarks: M. Karp welcomed board members to the meeting. He announced there would be three action items for the board 1) approve the meeting minutes from the February meeting 2) move to accept the funding opportunities through the CARES Act 3) authorize administration to settle lawsuits

M. Karp asked for an update from the CEO.

CEO update: J. Faustman shared that the school has applied and been awarded ESSER 2 and 3 funding. All grade bands have been reopened from K-12. The schools are reflecting on lessons

learned in the pandemic such as the 1:1 integration of technology, how technology can fill in the gaps. She shared the investment in our student is moving their skills more into 21st century skills not only with the student technology but also access to the OWL cameras which allow for 360 views in the classroom. These cameras are being used in MS, HS and SPED classrooms. She shared that our goal is to keep technology assisting in learning moving forward.

Action Items:

Resolution 1: The board reviewed the Health and Safety Plan and voted to recommit to it's plan. M. Karp motioned to approve the continuity plan as written. L. Convey seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Resolution 2: M. Karp made a motion to approve hiring a dedicated school nurse for 907 N 41st street through our partnership with Education Plus Health. Motion was seconded by L. Convey. The motion was approved unanimously.

Resolution 3: M. Karp motioned to approve spending 88,000 in CARES funding to support assurance testing weekly for staff and students. L. Convey seconded that motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

M.K made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:38pm. Seconded by L. Convey.