

MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BULLIS CHARTER SCHOOL

Approved November 6, 2017

102 West Portola Avenue, Los Altos, Ca 94022

October 2, 2017

6:30 pm

Regular Board Meeting

I. PRELIMINARY

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by John Phelps, Board Chair, at 6:32 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

		Present	Absent
Andrea Eyring	(6/30/19)	_x_	_____
Joe Hurd	(6/30/18)	_x_	_____
David Jaques	(6/30/18)	_x_	_____
Francis La Poll	(6/30/18)	_x_	_____
John Phelps	(6/30/18)	_x_	_____
Clara Roa	(6/30/20)	_x_	_____
Ann Waterman Roy	(6/30/19)	_x_	_____
Trenna Sutcliffe	(6/30/20)	_x_	_____
Rich Ying	(6/30/19)	_x_	_____

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Andrea Eyring seconded by Trenna Sutcliffe, and passed by a vote of 8-0.

II. CLOSED SESSION

The Board held a closed session to consider and/or take action on the following items:

- o **Conference with Legal Council – Anticipated Litigation (Gov. Code 54956.9(d)(2) and (4).)**
- o **Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Section 54957)**
Founding Superintendent

III. PUBLIC SESSION – REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

The meeting was reconvened to open session at 7:02 pm. John Phelps, Board Chair, reported that no action had been taken.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

No one wished to address the Board.

B. For Information: Principal/Administrator’s Report

Principal/Director of Instructional Services Cynthia Bricton shared the following:

- We had a fabulous math night co-chaired by teachers Savannah Lunsford and Robin Chen. It was well attended and supported by parent volunteers.
- 8th grader Ethan Chang spear-headed a schoolyard clean-up on the night of Fall Family Dinner.
- Fall Family Dinner was enjoyed by all. Amazing to see hundreds of kids patiently waiting in line for the cake walk.
- Middle school students participated in a conference call for the “Taking It Global” initiative, speaking with students across many continents. The initiative originated from Wanny’s attendance at the ISTE conference.
- 8th grade China trip will take place October 16 - 28. David Belles is preparing the students to sing on the trip.
- 5th grade Walker Creek trip will take place October 23 – 27.

Vice Principal Jennifer Anderson-Rosse shared the following:

- BCS Hosted the county STEAM Practicum last week. Nine school districts were represented: Hollister, Evergreen, Mountain View Whisman, East Side Union High, Berryessa, Saratoga, Morgan Hill, Alum Rock, Santa Clara Unified. Day included tour of BCS, setting culture of PBL’s, and student speakers, who always impress!

D. For Information: Board/Staff Discussions

Joe Hurd attended Math Night 3 – 5. Joe observed that more male students were in attendance and he would like to see the event reach more girls.

John Phelps suggested the school preview the movie Hidden Figures.

Clara Roa commented that the school-wide events provide opportunities for North and South campus families to be together. She encouraged more opportunities to interact throughout the year. Ann Waterman Roy agreed that school-wide events are a great way to meet people. Ann thanked Clara Roa for co-hosting the bocce-ball party.

John Phelps shared that he, Cynthia and Wanny attended a LACF fundraising event on behalf of BCS and they were warmly welcomed.

V. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

The Superintendent/Principal recommends approval of all consent agenda items.

1. **Minutes** Approval of the Minutes from the September 11, 2017 Board meeting.
2. **Check Register** Approval of the BCS August 2017 Check Register.

A motion to approve consent agenda items V.1 & 2 was made by Ann Waterman Roy. David Jaques requested that V.1 be pulled from the consent motion to allow more time to review. A motion to approve consent agenda item V.2 was made by Ann Waterman Roy, seconded by David Jaques and passed by a vote of 7-0. Joe Hurd asked about some entries on the check register and Andrea Eyring explained that some service items are billed separately for each campus.

VI. **INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS**

1. **1st Grade PBL - KidTown**

1st grade teacher Dana Kincaid provided a summary of the recently completed Kidtown PBL. Students work in small groups to launch their own businesses and this year teachers focused on adding real-word applications to the project. Students interviewed potential customers, held business hours at recess and visited Linden Tree Books and Area 151 prior to the KidTown Grand Opening. Dana then shared a video about KidTown, created by Charles Morgan.

- Joe Hurd asked that all the businesses that offered to host the students be recognized, so our parent community can thank them.
- Ann Waterman Roy said her kids were very excited to shop at KidTown.
- Trena Sutcliffe congratulated Dana on another successful PBL and reported that her daughter learned important communication skills and how to become a better partner.
- Cynthia Bricston thanked Dana Kincaid for her support in making the video.
- Andrea Eyring was pleased to see that every student at BCS gets the same opportunities.

2. Board Retreat

The Board discussed possible agenda items for its November 3, 2017 Board Retreat:

- Governance
- Strategy
- Board effectiveness
- Long-term funding

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The meeting was reconvened to open session at 9:55pm. John Phelps, Board Chair, reported that no action had been taken.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by John Phelps, Board Chair, at 9:56pm.