

BETHANY CHARTER SCHOOL – Board Meeting October 7, 2019

*Please be aware that these minutes are not official until approved at the next board meeting.*

Board Members present: Karyn Buchheit, Sally Gauvin, Bryan Rose, Michael Slevcove and Sarah White. Kathy Frank present as administrator. 1 visitor present.

Michael Slevcove called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm

Bryan Rose moved to accept the consent agenda consisting of approving the agenda for the October 7, 2019 board meeting with the addition of 2 more items under discussion items; approving the minutes for the September 9, 2019 board meeting with the correction of 8<sup>th</sup> grade instead of 9<sup>th</sup> grade; approving the minutes for the September 26, 2019 board special session; and approving the minutes of the September 26, 2019 town hall meeting with the correction of Julio instead of Julia. Sally Gauvin seconded. Passed unanimously.

Kate Pattison – not present, Sarah White will try to get for the November board meeting.

Budget Report – questions on water testing. We do need to receive a hard copy of all test results. Listing of categories in our checking account. Question about “other property services” category in budget. Acknowledge check numbers 1719-1720 in the amount of \$129.00; no debit transactions.

Audience with visitors

- Booster Club liaison – not here; carnival is scheduled for October 19, 2019
- Bobcat House – not here

Teacher presentation by Tricia King – she loves doing the 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade. Curriculum – literacy good, but routine and is looking for ways to improve; vocabulary is rich. Summaries, sentence structures – if the kids can prove they know it, will move them on to other things. Math is rigorous/heavy – all story problems and this level is pushing math facts. Working on motivation, cursive handwriting; posting achievements. Aide is invaluable – have her for about 3 hours/day.

Administrator Report

<i>Enrollment:</i>	<i>K=15</i>	<i>1<sup>st</sup>=14</i>	<i>2<sup>nd</sup>=16</i>	<i>3<sup>rd</sup>=15</i>	<i>4<sup>th</sup>=17</i>
	<i>5<sup>th</sup>=15</i>	<i>6<sup>th</sup>=15</i>	<i>7<sup>th</sup>=16</i>	<i>8<sup>th</sup>=12</i>	<i>Total ADM=135</i>

*We are all surprised how fast September has flown by!*

*We have certainly had a fantastic month here...it's been incredibly busy, but the progress the students have made in just a few short weeks has been astounding! By now, everyone is settling in well to their new classrooms, their new routines and getting down to the business of learning. This year has so much in store, our entire team is excited to witness their growth!*

*Bethany Charter School Improvement Plan*

*Vision: Student, Teacher, School Culture, Rigor and Relevance*

- *Early visits to all of the classrooms are showing that our teachers are working hard on creating effective conditions for learning. They have consistency, established rules and procedures, using engagement strategies, and are working on establishing effective relationships and communicating high expectations for all.*
- *Kinder has two students who came in not knowing how to write their names. As of today, both can! Lots of praise and cheering for those two!*

- *Kinders have been doing a force and motion unit and the kids are excited about gravity and science in general.*
- *Ms. Heneveld is getting bombarded with facts and excitement everyday as well as messages from home saying that they are talking about it there too! Kindergarten loves science.*
- *We had a number of parents attending Mrs. Wilson's hosted, bring your parents to PE week.*
- *5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders are finishing up their Native Culture study with a culminating gardening experience by planting real food in the greenhouse to care for and harvest throughout the year. They had a guest speaker, Adam McKinley from GeerCrest Farm assist with this project.*
- *Volleyball is being coached by Mrs. Wilson, they participated in the District tournament and scored well. Top of the "B" bracket.*
- *Bethany Strings continues to flourish as a small group and the music department has settled on a Christmas Performance.*
- *1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> graders attended the annual FFA day at the high school. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders reported coming back rained on with the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> graders dry. There were in the green house. They all had a great educational time.*

#### *October Calendar*

*10<sup>th</sup> Booster Club meeting; 11<sup>th</sup> no school-state inservice; 14<sup>th</sup> early release; 15<sup>th</sup> Agriculture Day field trip to Hopkins Demonstration Forest; 17<sup>th</sup> Great American Shake Out; 19<sup>th</sup> Harvest Carnival.*

#### Board Reports

- O'Fest – was ok. Sunday was awful – solid downpour. Suggestion that we seriously look at investing in a booth. Would like to have a committee dedicated to this.

Correspondence – none

#### Discussion Items

- a. Quotes for path – Eric Kuenzi came out – have not received quote yet. Kathy Frank contacted Blackrock – they had talked with county and say that ADA is not required since it is going to the playground instead of to the parking. Board feels that path should meet ADA, also consider possibility of doing a couple of spots for handicap parking next to the playground. Kathy Frank to talk to Lauren Stanley about path.
- b. Policy revision – Policy for Meeting Guidelines – some changes, Karyn will make and bring back next month.
- c. Town Hall – do again? How many times a year? Felt it was powerful, good mix of community. Michael Slevcove to write thank you/invitation for come again.
- d. Board/staff meeting – discussion of impressions of meeting.

Audience with visitors – nothing

Action Items – none

Moved into executive session at 10:17 pm in compliance with ORS 192.660(f) as pertains to information exempt from public inspection.

Out of executive session at 10:30 pm

No action taken from executive session.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 pm

Next Board Meeting – Monday November 4, 2019 at 7:00 pm