



MEETING OF THE BOARD
Bridges Preparatory Academy
Monday, June 17, 2024

A meeting of the Board of Directors for Bridges Preparatory Academy, a California nonprofit corporation was held on **Monday, June 17, 2024**, in person and via a public Zoom conference from 10:00 AM to noon.

Present: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Paul Whyte, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

Others Present: Alejandro Gomez, Evan Hodes, Alex Sandoval, and his wife

CALL TO ORDER: David Owen called the meeting to order at 10:08 AM and acknowledged all staff, guests and board members present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Paul Whyte to approve today's agenda.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 29, 2024 – *The minutes were approved as presented.*

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Trena Spurlock to approve the board minutes for March 29, 2024.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Paul Whyte, Trena Spurlock, David Owen

INFORMATION ITEM: (Board Member Comments)
None

INFORMATION ITEM: 2024 LOCAL INDICATORS REPORT

Mr. Gomez introduced the school's self-assessment – Bridges Preparatory Academy 2024 Local Indicators Report. This report can be found on the school's website.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Alex Sandoval (parent of a student at BPA) highly recommended that a committee be developed to balance the decisions made by Mr. Gomez.

PUBLIC HEARING: 2024-25 LCAP

Mr. Gomez introduced BPA's 2024-25 LCAP, highlighting student achievement growth and areas of improvement. There is a need to improve achievement in science, and most students are moving in the right direction in English Language Arts and Math. Mr. Gomez also reviewed goals, actions, and all other key components of this report. BPA's approved LCAP is posted annually on the school's website.

Ms. Spurlock commended Mr. Gomez and the efforts of everyone at the school for the high level of student achievement.

Mr. Owen announced that the public hearing has been closed.

DIRECTORS REPORT

Mr. Gomez provided the following report:

- The school is experiencing a 30% growth in enrollment.
- The school is hiring a Reading/Literacy Coach and a Social Worker.
- The school will purchase Lexia/Aspire to help students with literacy gaps.
- The school will also purchase Reflect to help student improve in Math.

APPROVAL OF THE 2024-25 LCAP (ADOPTION)

It was **MOVED** by Trena Spurlock and **SECONDED** by Paul Whyte to approve the 2024-25 LCAP Adoption.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Paul Whyte, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL OF THE 2024-25 BUDGET (ADOPTION)

Mr. Hodes introduced BPA's budget line by line for 2024-25.

It was **MOVED** by Bryan Lee and **SECONDED** by Paul Whyte to approve the 2024-25 Budget Adoption.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Hodes introduced the school's financial report.

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Trena Spurlock to approve school's financial report.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVL OF CONAPP

Mr. Hodes introduced the Consolidated Application which is done twice a year in conjunction with the approval of the LCAP.

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Bryan Lee to approve CONAPP.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Paul Whyte, Trena Spurlock, David Owen

APPROVAL OF EPA SPENDING PLAN APPROVAL

Mr. Hodes introduced BPA's Education Account Spending Plan. This document will be posted on the school's website.

It was **MOVED** by Trena Spurlock and **SECONDED** by Bryan Lee to approve the EPA Spending Plan

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Paul Whyte, Trena Spurlock, David Owen

APPROVAL OF PROP 28 ANNUAL REPORT

Mr. Hodes introduced BPA's Prop 28 Annual Report – new funding source from the state to supplement learning in the arts.

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louse Silva and **SECONDED** by Paul Whyte to approve the Prop 28 Annual report.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL OF 2023-24 LOCAL INDICATOR REPORT

It was **MOVED** by Bryan Lee and **SECONDED** by Paul White to approve the 2023-24 Local Indicator Report

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Paul Whyte, Trena Spurlock, David Owen

APPROVAL OF LEASE BUILDING

Mr. Gomez introduced the lease for the building – the school is adding square footage to the lease.

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Bryan Lee to approve the approval of the lease for the building.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Paul Whyte, Trena Spurlock, David Owen

APPROVAL TO ADOPT 2024-25 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Mr. Gomez introduced the school's 2024-25 school calendar.

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Bryan Lee to approve the school's 2024-25 school calendar.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL TO CONTRACT WITH LEXIA/ASPIRE LITERACY

Mr. Gomez shared that this program (for the next 3 years) would allow each student and associated teachers to have access to Lexia to help improve ELA scores.

It was **MOVED** by Trena Spurlock and **SECONDED** by Bryan Lee to approve the contract with Lexia/Aspire.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL TO CONTRACT WITH ELLEVATION

Mr. Gomez said this program would be used by teachers to support ELD and LTEL students.

It was **MOVED** by Trena Spurlock and **SECONDED** by Bryan Lee to approve the contract with Elevation.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL TO CONTRACT WITH POWERSCHOOL

Mr. Gomez shared that this would allow BPA to continue using this reporting service.

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Bryan Lee to approve the contract with PowerSchool.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL TO CONTRACT LACOE PBIS

Mr. Gomez shared this 3-year contract supports social emotional training for teachers.

It was **MOVED** by Trena Spurlock and **SECONDED** by Mary Louise Silva to approve the LACOE PBIS

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL TO CONTRACT WITH LAIRP

Mr. Gomez introduced the contract with Los Angeles Institute for Restorative Practices to continue these training services for teachers. Total dollar amount for this contract will be for \$35,000.

It was **MOVED** by Bryan Lee and **SECONDED** by Paul Whyte to approve the contract with LAIRP.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL TO CONTRACT WITH CLA AUDIT FIRM

Mr. Gomez shared that CLA is an independent audit company BPA has been working with the last few years.

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Trena Spurlock to approve the contract with CLA audit firm.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL TO CONTRACT CROSS COUNTRY EDUCATION

Mr. Gomez shared that Cross County Education is BPA's special education provider.

It was **MOVED** by Trena Spurlock and **SECONDED** by Bryan Lee to approve the contract with Cross Country Education

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL OF LA CONTRACT FOR LA TECHNET 24-25 SY

This contract is for the school's tech services based on the number of students.

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Paul Whyte to approve the LA TechNet contract for 2024-25

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CONTRACT 2024-25

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Bryan Lee to approve the executive director's contract.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL OF EXED CONTRACT FOR 24-25 SY

Mr. Hodes shared that there was 3.4% increase in fees for Exed services.

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Paul Whyte to approve the Exed Contract for 24-25.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL OF REVISED SCHOOL SAFETY PLAN

Mr. Gomez introduced the school's revised safety plan.

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Trena Spurlock to approve the school's safety plan.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL OF REVISED FAMILY AND STUDENT HANDBOOK

Mr. Gomez introduced the school's revised Family and Student Handbook with revised dates. This is posted on the school's website.

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Bryan Lee to approve the school's revised Family & Student Handbook.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL OF REVISED EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

Mr. Gomez shared that very little was changed from last year.

It was **MOVED** by Bryan Lee and **SECONDED** by Paul Whyte to approve the revised Employee Handbook.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL OF INSURANCE BROKER AND PREMIUM FOR 24-25 SY

This contract ensures that anyone employed at the school including board members are covered. There is a 4% increase from last year.

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Bryan Lee to approve the Insurance Broker Premium for 24-25

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL OF HEALTH INSURANCE BROKER AND PREMIUM FOR 24-25 SY

Mr. Gomez shared that this will cover health care insurance for employees. The cost has gone up by 12%.

It was **MOVED** by Mary Louise Silva and **SECONDED** by Paul Whyte approve the health insurance broker.

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

APPROVAL OF NEXT YEAR'S 2024-25 BOARD MEETINGS

This agenda item was tabled until the next meeting.

APPROVAL OF UNITY MEALS FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT

It was **MOVED** by and **SECONDED** by to approve Unity Meals Food Service

Yes vote: Bryan Lee, Mary Louise Silva, Trena Spurlock, Paul Whyte, David Owen

It was **MOVED** by and **SECONDED** by that the group move into closed session.

CLOSED SESSION

Anticipated Litigation Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9 (d)(2): one
In closed session the board approved to initiate an investigation.

ADJOURNMENT

It was **MOVED** by Bryan Lee and **SECONDED** by the group to end the meeting at 1:14pm. All in favor. None opposed.