

GBCS Regular Monthly Meeting Agenda Greater Brunswick Thursday, November 29, 2018 – 5:30 pm

I. Call to Order By Board Secretary

II. Public Notice of Meeting/NJ Sunshine Law

The New Jersey Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right to the public to have advanced notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted on in accordance with N.J.S.A 10:4-6 et seq.

On the rules of this act, Greater Brunswick Charter School has caused notice of this meeting by Publicizing the date, time and place, of the regularly scheduled meeting in the Public Notice Section of the Home News Tribune and Star Ledgers, sent to the clerks of Highland Park, Edison and New Brunswick and posted at the Greater Brunswick Charter School located at 429 Joyce Kilmer Ave, New Brunswick, NJ 08901. Formal action will take place at this meeting.

III. Roll Call

	Voting Members	Role	Present	Absent
1.	Claudia Avarado	Board Trustee, expires 2019		
2.	Lynell Burgos	Board Trustee, expires 2021		
3.	Shamara Gatling-Davila	Board Vice Chair, expires 2020		
4.	Evan Gentry	Board Trustee, expires 2019		
5.	Indira Grullon	Board Trustee, expires 2021		
6.	Sean Hewitt	Board Trustee, expires 2019		
7.	Susan Jackson	Board Chair, expires 2021		
8.	Mariu Reynoso	Board Trustee, expires 2019		
9.	Anju Thomas	Board Trustee, expires 2020		

Also Present

Non-Voting	Role	Present	Absent
Vanessa Jones	Education Director		
Hector Alvarez	Assistant Education Director		
Michael Falkowski	SBA / Board Secretary		
Daniela Garay	Teacher Representative		
Chad Schubert	Teacher Representative		

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

V. Approve Meeting Agenda

Motion for Greater Brunswick Charter School, Board of Trustees to approve the Agenda for the **November 29, 2018** meeting.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Claudia Avarado						Sean Hewitt					
Lynell Burgos						Susan Jackson					
Shamara Gatling-Davila						Mariu Reynoso					

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Evan Gentry			Anju Thomas			
Indira Grullon						

VI. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

Motion for Greater Brunswick Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from **September 27, 2018**.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Claudia Avarado						Sean Hewitt					
Lynell Burgos						Susan Jackson					
Shamara Gatling-Davila						Mariu Reynoso					
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- VII. Public Comment
- VIII. Correspondence
- IX. Reports
 - 1. Director's Report
 - 2. October & September HIB report

Motion to accept Director's Report and October & November HIB Report:

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- X. Closed Session
- XI. Adjourn Closed and Open Public Session
- XII. Motions for Approval

1. Finance

- a. To approve the September & October 2018 Board Secretary Report.
- b. To approve the September & October 2018 Reconciliation Report.
- c. <u>Bills List</u>: Approve Bills List from September 28, 2018 to November 29, 2018.
- d. Payroll: To approve the following payrolls:

September 30, 2018	\$178,898.79
October 15, 2018	\$187,792.09
October 30, 2018	\$188,501.58
November 15, 2018	\$191,851.03

- e. To approve the Master Collaborative Educational Services Agreement with the **Educational Service Commission of New Jersey** for the 2018/2019 school year through the 2019/2020 school year.
- f. To approve the snow removal contract with **Yager Lawn Maintenance** for the 2018/2019 school year.

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2. Buildings & Grounds

3. Personnel

- a. To accept the following resignations:
 - i. Mathew Rago, Physical Education and Health Teacher effective January 1, 2019.
 - ii. Rachel Holeman, School Social Worker effective January 1, 2019.
 - iii. **Annya Restrepo Ayala**, 1st Grade Spanish World Dual Language Teacher effective December 21, 2018.
- b. To approve the following new hire for the 2018-2019 school year:

Name	Position	Salary	Effective
Theresa Schaefer-Dolan	Middle School Leave Replacement	\$56,123 (Level 9	November 12 to
		Prorated)	January 11, 2019

c. To approve the following Professional Development:

Who	When	Where	Topics	Cost + Allowed Travel
Lilia Fabila-Guilbot	11/16/18	New Brunswick, NJ	Child Health in the 21st	None
George Newton	01/31 to 02/01/18	Atlantic City, NJ	TechSpo 2019	\$450 + Travel, not to exceed \$750
Daniel Cychowski	12/14/18	NJEA Trenton	The Kaleidoscope Profile/Courageous Conversations	None
Carmen Rine	11/16/18	Rutgers New Brunswick	Child Health in the 21st Century	None
Marth Goz	11/16/18	North Brunswick	TLC – One Day of LRT Training	None

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4. Curriculum/Special Education

a. To approve the following field trips:

Who	When	Where	Cost + Allowed Travel
Lirizell Johnson, Kindergarten 44 Students,	4/30/19	State Theatre, New Brunswick, NJ	
10 Chaperones			
Lirizell Johnson, 1st Grade 44 Students, 10	1/29/19	NJ State Museum	\$5/Child
Chaperones			
Lirizell Johnson, K & 1st Grade, 88 Students,	1/24/19	State Theater, New Brunswick, NJ	\$8/Child
20 Chaperones			

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5. Policy/Miscellaneous

- a. To approve the second and final reading of the following policies and regulations:
 - i. 1613 Disclosure and Review of Applicant's Employment History Policy & Regulation
 (M)
 - ii. 5561 Use of Physical Restraint and Seclusion Techniques for Students with Disabilities– Policy & Regulation (M)
 - iii. 8561 Procurement Procedures for School Nutrition Programs Policy (M)
 - iv. 1550 Equal Employment/Anti-Discrimination Practices Policy & Regulation (M)
 - v. 5350 Student Suicide Prevention Policy and Regulation (M)
 - vi. 8462 Reporting Potentially Missing or Abused Children Policy (M)
 - vii. 7440 School Security Policy & Regulation (M)
 - viii. 7441 Electronic Surveillance in School Buildings and on School Grounds Policy & Regulation (M)

b. APPROVE EXPANSION RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Greater Brunswick Charter School received a charter renewal from the State of New Jersey from the 2017/2018 to the 2021/2022 school year to operate a charter school in grades Kindergarten through Grade 8; and

WHEREAS, the Greater Brunswick Charter School is currently in its 21st year of operation;

WHEREAS, the Greater Brunswick Charter School has innovative educational programs including Personal Education Plans, Enrichment Clusters, Positive Discipline/Restorative Justice and a unique Dual Language Program which serves a primarily Spanish speaking community; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Education requires the submission of an amendment request to expand enrollment; and

WHEREAS, the Charter School has a waiting list in excess of 350 students distributed through all grades; and

WHEREAS, in order to serve the educational needs and demand of the community the charter school will need to increase each grade level to 48 students with a classroom average of 24 students for a total student count increase of 38 students from 394 students to 432;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greater Brunswick Charter School Board of Trustees hereby approves the expansion of enrollment.

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XIII. **Enrollment Report**

	FY19	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Wait
Grade	ENR	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	15,	List
		2018	2018	2018	2018	2018	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2018/2019
K	44	45	44	<mark>44</mark>	<mark>44</mark>								100
1	44	43	45	<mark>45</mark>	<mark>45</mark>								49
2	44	44	44	<mark>44</mark>	<mark>44</mark>								42
3	44	43	44	<mark>44</mark>	<mark>44</mark>								37
4	44	42	44	<mark>44</mark>	<mark>44</mark>								41
5	44	44	44	<mark>44</mark>	<mark>44</mark>								37
6	44	42	47	<mark>47</mark>	<mark>47</mark>								21
7	44	42	43	<mark>43</mark>	<mark>43</mark>								22
8	42	40	42	<mark>42</mark>	<mark>42</mark>								16
Total	394	385	397	<mark>397</mark>	<mark>397</mark>								365

^{***}Totals include 4 Out of District Students, 1 in 3rd, 1 in 6th and 2 in 8th Grade.

XIV. **Committee Reports**

- 1. SRC
- 2. Community Outreach
- 3. Development
- 4. Finance and Facilities
- 5. Governance
- XV. **New Business**
- XVI. **Closing Comments**
- XVII. **Action Items**
 - Next Board Meeting: January 17, 2019, March 21, 2019, May 09, 2019, June 20, 2019
 - Board Retreat Dates: April 6, 2019, from 9am to 3pm

XVIII. Adjournment

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