

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes Thursday, January 17, 2019 – 5:30 pm

I. Call to Order By Board Secretary – 5:39 pm

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		Х
2.	Lynell Burgos	Board Trustee, expires 2021	Х	
3.	Shamara Gatling-Davila	Board Vice Chair, expires 2020	Х	
4.	Evan Gentry	Board Trustee, expires 2019	Х	
5.	Indira Grullon	Board Trustee, expires 2021	Х	
6.	Sean Hewitt	Board Trustee, expires 2019	Х	
7.	Susan Jackson	Board Chair, expires 2021	Х	
8.	Mariu Reynoso	Board Trustee, expires 2019	Х	
9.	Anju Thomas	Board Trustee, expires 2020	Χ	

Also Present

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

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

V. Approve Meeting Agenda

Motion for Greater Brunswick Charter School, Board of Trustees to approve the Agenda for the **January 17, 2019** meeting.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Claudia Avarado					Х	Sean Hewitt	2 nd	Χ			
Lynell Burgos		Χ				Susan Jackson		Х			

Shamara Gatling-Davila		Χ		Mariu Reynoso	Х		
Evan Gentry	1 st	Χ		Anju Thomas	Χ		
Indira Grullon		Х					

VI. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

Motion for Greater Brunswick Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from **November 29, 2018**.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Claudia Avarado					Х	Sean Hewitt	2 nd	Х			
Lynell Burgos		Χ				Susan Jackson		Х			
Shamara Gatling-Davila		Χ				Mariu Reynoso		Х			
Evan Gentry	1 st	Χ				Anju Thomas		Х			
Indira Grullon		Х									

- VII. Public Comment NONE
- VIII. Correspondence
- IX. Reports
 - 1. Director's Report
 - 2. HIB Report December 2018 & January 2019 None to report.
 - 3. Suspension Report December 2018 & January 2019
 - 4. Bus Evacuation Report

Motion to accept Director's Report, HIB Reports, Suspension Reports and Bus Evacuation Report:

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Lynell Burgos		Χ				Susan Jackson		Х			
Shamara Gatling-Davila		Χ				Mariu Reynoso		Х			
Evan Gentry	1 st	Χ				Anju Thomas		Х			
Indira Grullon		Χ									

X. Closed Session – 6:22 pm

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Claudia Avarado					Χ	Sean Hewitt	2 nd	Χ			
Lynell Burgos		Χ				Susan Jackson		Χ			
Shamara Gatling-Davila		Χ				Mariu Reynoso		Χ			
Evan Gentry	1 st	Χ				Anju Thomas		Х			
Indira Grullon		Χ									

Topics: Employee matter, student placement – out of district, budget.

XI. Adjourn Closed and Open Public Session – 6:46 pm

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Shamara Gatling-Davila		Χ				Mariu Reynoso		Х			

Evan Gentry	1 st	Χ		Anju Thomas	Х		
Indira Grullon		Х					

XII. Motions for Approval

1. Finance

- a. To approve the November & December 2018 Board Secretary Report.
- b. To approve the November & December 2018 Reconciliation Report.
- c. <u>Bills List</u>: Approve Bills List from November 30, 2018 to January 17, 2019.
- d. Payroll: To approve the following payrolls:

November 30, 2018	\$183,274.90
December 15, 2019	\$186,930.46
December 20, 2019	\$180,518.44

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2. Buildings & Grounds

3. Personnel

a. To approve the following new hires for the 2018-2019 school year:

Name	Position	Salary	Effective
Alyssa Alfred	MS Science – Long Term Sub	\$50,023 (Pro Rated)	1/02/2019
Connor Lindsay	Health & Physical Ed. Teacher	\$50,023 (Pro Rated)	1/02/2019
Ivonne Gallego	PT School Social Work – MS	\$29,962	1/02/2019
Michelle Riboadeira	Dual Language Teacher	\$55,973 (Pro Rated)	1/02/2019
Nancy Angelet	PT Student Aide Leave Replacement	\$17.94/hr	12/03/2018
Katrina Gerlach	Maternity Leave Replacement	\$17,432.82	1/02 to 4/30/2019
Orandy Torres	After school program	\$12/hr	1/18/2019
Daniela Suastegui	After school sub	\$15/hr	1/18/2019

- b. To approve a maternity leave for **Francis Peralta**, expected to begin February 15th through the remainder of the 2018/2019 school year.
- c. To accept the resignation of **Danielle Rourke** effective immediately.
- d. To approve the hiring of the following staff at \$40/hr (up to 20 hrs each) to provide staff training:
 - i. Jessica Kurc Joudrey
 - ii. Angelique Sheehan
- e. To approve the **TCNJ Graduate Coursework**, Course: ESL, SELL Program, for the following employees:
 - i. Daniel Cyckowski Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020
 - ii. Kristina Markel Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020

- iii. Victoria Salomone Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020
- iv. Natalia Arbelaez Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020
- f. To approve the following Professional Development:

Who	When	Where	Topics	Cost + Allowed Travel
Erica Yvonnet/Sarah Feldman	1/9/19	East Brunswick at the New Jersey State Bar Foundation.	Let's Talk About Race- Unconscious Bias	No Cost
Brendan Salazar	1/11/19	East Brunswick at the New Jersey State Bar Foundation.	Elementary Conflict Resolution	No Cost
Maria Rivera	1/17/19	East Brunswick at the New Jersey State Bar Foundation.	Elementary Peer Mediation	No Cost
Robyn Stein/Joelle Mah	1/30/19	East Brunswick at the New Jersey State Bar Foundation.	School Climate Team Training	No Cost
Brendan Salazar	2/18/19	TCNJ	Fundations Level K	\$395
Robyn Stein	3/18/19	Prudential Center, Newark	American Young Voices Teacher's Workshop	No Cost
Robyn Stein	2/21/19	Hilton Towers, East Brunswick	NJMEA 2019 State Conference	\$170

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4. Curriculum/Special Education

a. To approve the following field trips:

Who	When	Where	Cost + Allowed Travel
8th Grade, 40 Students, 6 Chaperones	6/5 to 6/7/19	Fairview Lake YMCA	No Cost to School
Chorus, 3 rd – 5 th , 48 Students, 4 Chaperones	6/7/2019	American Young Voices, Prudential	No Cost to School
		Center	

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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 DisabilitiesPolicy & 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. To approve the Winter Dance **Fundraiser Request** by Dianna Hess Schmitt for PTO on 2/08/2019.
- c. To approve the Taco Sale for 8th grade trip **Fundraiser Request** by Amie Fitzgerald to be held on 2/14/2019

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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	44	44	44							105
1	44	43	45	45	45	45							51
2	44	44	44	44	44	44							42
3	44	43	44	44	44	44							36
4	44	42	44	44	44	44							42
5	44	44	44	44	44	44							35
6	44	42	47	46	46	46							20
7	44	42	43	43	43	43							20
8	42	40	42	42	42	42							15
Total	394	385	397	396	396	396							366

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

XIV. Committee Reports

- 1. SRC in Director's report
- 2. Community Outreach EXPO, presentation next meeting
- 3. Development no meeting in January, went over GALA numbers in December, discussion of future of GALA
- 4. Finance and Facilities update on budget, future budget, funding & flood remediation
- 5. Governance policies, school security, RFP for strategic plan, suspension and Board Training

XV. New Business

XVI. Closing Comments – Thanks for food, Board participation and Happy New Year.

XVII. Action Items

- Next Board Meeting: March 21, 2019, May 09, 2019, June 20, 2019
- Board Retreat Dates: April 6, 2019, from 9am to 3pm

Location: 429 Joyce Kilmer Ave New Brunswick, NJ 08901

XVIII. Adjournment – 7:14 pm

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