

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes Thursday, October 15, 2015 – 5:30 pm

I. Call to Order By Board Secretary - 5:38 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
Christopher Coulthard	Board Trustee	X	
Susan Jackson	Board Trustee	X	
Molly Larobina	Board Trustee	X	
David Learn	Board Vice Chair / Trustee	X, 5:49 PM	
Peter Schaeffing	Board Trustee	X	
Anna Seewald	Board Trustee	Х	
Anju Thomas	Board Trustee	Х	
George Waters	Board Chair / Trustee	Х	
Choka Yogalingam	Board Trustee	Х	

Also Present

Non-Voting	Role	Present	Absent
Donna Medea	Education Director	X	
Vanessa Jones	Assist. Education Director	X	
Greg Romero	Supervisor of Instruction	Х	
Michael Falkowski	SBA/ Board Secretary	Χ	
Diana Hess-Schmitt	Teacher Representative	Х	

IV. Pledge of Allegiance

V. Presentations

- 1. Student Council presents new GBCS sign for the end of the driveway Presented by Ms. Diana Hess-Schmidt & Mr. Eric Kauffman
- 2. Presentation by Conference Committee

VI. Approve Meeting Agenda

Motion for Greater Brunswick Charter School, Board of Trustees to approve the Agenda for the **October 15, 2015** meeting.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Christopher Coulthard	1 st	Χ				Anna Seewald		Χ			
Susan Jackson		Х				Anju Thomas		Х			
Molly Larobina	2 nd	Х				George Waters		Х			
David Learn		Х				Choka Yogalingam		Х			
Peter Schaeffing		Х									

VII. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

Motion for Greater Brunswick Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from **September 17, 2015**.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Christopher Coulthard	1 st	Χ				Anna Seewald		Χ			
Susan Jackson		Х				Anju Thomas		Х			
Molly Larobina	2 nd	Х				George Waters		Х			
David Learn				Х		Choka Yogalingam		Х			
Peter Schaeffing		Х									

- VIII. Public Comment Comment by Mr. Peter Creekmore regarding the status of the music program.
- IX. Correspondence NONE
- X. Reports / Presentations
 - 1. Director's Report Ms. Medea provided an update on the Gym Floor replacement, conferences, and other items on the attached monthly report.
 - 2. HIB Report There were 2 reports in the month of October, but none were proven.

Motion to accept Director's and HIB Report.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Christopher Coulthard	1 st	Х				Anna Seewald		Χ			
Susan Jackson		Χ				Anju Thomas		Х			
Molly Larobina	2 nd	Χ				George Waters		Χ			
David Learn		Χ				Choka Yogalingam		Χ			
Peter Schaeffing		Χ									

- XI. Adjourn Public Session and open Closed Session (if necessary) 6:07 1st Mr. Waters, 2nd Mr. Coulthard
 - Discussion regarding student matter.
- XII. Adjourn Closed Session and open Public Session (if necessary) 6:20 1st Mr. Waters, 2nd Mr. Coulthard

XIII. Motions for Approval

1. Finance

- a. Board Secretary Report: To approve the August 2015 Board Secretary Report
- b. Treasurer Report: To approve the August 2015 Treasurer Report
- c. <u>Bills List</u>: Approve Bills List from September 18, 2015 to October 15, 2015
- d. Payroll: To approve the following payrolls:

September 30, 2015	\$200,563.40
October 15, 2015	\$191,331.51

2. Buildings & Grounds - NONE

3. Personnel

a. To approve the following Enterprise Fund staff:

Name	Title	Salary/Rate
Susan Alexander	After School Sub	\$15.46/hr
Yamira Rodriguez	After School Staff	\$10.00/hr

b. To approve the following Family Learning Night Staff, fund by NCLB:

Name	Name Position		Description
Francis Peralta	Child Care	\$20.00	2hr Child Care Sitter 5yrs old & up
Christine Rozycki	Program Sub	\$30.00	2 1/2 hr Program Director Substitute
Stephani Estrella	Teacher	\$60.00	1hr K-2 Family Academy Teacher
Chad Schubert	Teacher	\$60.00	1hr 2-3 Family Academy Teacher
Lorena Edenbaum	Teacher	\$60.00	1hr 2-3 Family Academy Teacher & Interpreter
Julio Perez Arrieta	Interpreter	\$40.00	1hr 4-5 Family Academy Teacher
Julio Perez Arrieta	Child Care	\$20.00	2hr Child Care Sitter 5yrs old & up
Daniela Suastegui	Support Staff	\$25.00	1 to 2hr Support staff for coverage when needed
Daniela Suastegui	Child Care	\$20.00	2hr Child Care Sitter 6mth-4yrs old
Alejandra Suastegui	Child Care	\$20.00	2hr Child Care Sitter 6mth-4yrs old
Lilia Fabila	Teacher	\$60.00	Cooking & Nutrition Classes for Kids

c. To approve the following FY16 stipends:

Name	Title	Salary / Rate
Ana Perez	Family Learning Night Coordinator	\$5000 (NCLB Title I)

d. To approve the resignation of Ileana Hilton effective 10-13-2015.

4. Curriculum/Special Education

a. To approve the following field trips:

Trip	Date	Cost
Historic Village of Allaire	Grade 4 & 5 – May 20, 2016	Not to exceed \$1,056
New Brunswick Islamic Center	Grade 7 – Feb/March 2016	No Cost to school
Commerce Center Movie Theatre in	Grade 6 - 8 – November 4,	No Cost to school
North Brunswick to see "He named	2015	
me Malala"		

Anshe Emeth Memorial Temple	Grade 6 – November 24, 2015	No cost to school
New Brunswick Courthouse	Grade 8 – March/April 2016	No cost to school

APPROVAL OF 1 to 4:

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Susan Jackson		Χ				Anju Thomas		Х			
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David Learn		Χ				Choka Yogalingam		Х			
Peter Schaeffing		Х						•			

5. Policy/Miscellaneous

a. To approve the revised 2015-2016 School Year Calendar.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Christopher Coulthard	1 st	Х				Anna Seewald		Х			
Susan Jackson		Х				Anju Thomas		Х			
Molly Larobina	2 nd	Х				George Waters		Х			
David Learn		Х				Choka Yogalingam		Х			
Peter Schaeffing		Х									

- b. To approve revised board meeting dates:
 - i. December Meeting 12/17/2015 (was 12/21/2015)
 - ii. May Meeting 05/12/2016 (was 05/19/2016)

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David Learn		Х				Choka Yogalingam		Х			
Peter Schaeffing		Х									

c. To approve the contract with NJSBA to do an Education Director Search.

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Susan Jackson		Х				Anju Thomas		Х			
Molly Larobina	2 nd	Х				George Waters		Х			
David Learn		Х				Choka Yogalingam		Х			
Peter Schaeffing		Х									

XIV. Enrollment Report

Grade	FY16 ENR	Jul 15, 2015	Aug 15, 2015	Sep 15, 2015	Oct 15, 2015	Nov 15, 2015	Dec 15, 2015	Jan 15, 2016	Feb 15, 2016	Mar 15, 2016	Apr 15, 2016	May 15, 2016	Jun 15, 2016	Wait List
K	44	44	44	44	44									11
1	44	44	44	44	44									14
2	44	44	44	44	44									12
3	44	44	44	44	43									9
4	42	44	44	44	43									9

5	42	40	40	40	41					4
6	44	44	44	44	44					16
7	44	43	43	43	44					6
8	42	43	43	43	42					2
Total	390	390	390	390	388					83

XV. Committee Reports

- 1. SRC Report available on Dropbox. Ms. Medea quickly summarized the minutes.
- 2. Community and Development Report available on Dropbox. Mr. Coulthard briefly updated the Board on the projects the committee is working on.
- 3. Finance and Facilities Report available on Dropbox. Mr. Schaeffing noted he will be posting the minutes.
- 4. Governance Report available on Dropbox. Ms. Larobina updated the Board on the retreat dates

XVI. New Business

Mr. Falkowski reminded the Board to complete any Board Governance responsibilities. Mr. Falkowski also updated the Board on the status of the Audit and the Oct 15th enrollment count.

XVII. Closing Comments

XVIII. Action Items

1. Next Board Meeting: Thursday, November 19, 2015

XIX. Adjournment – 7:41 pm

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Christopher Coulthard	1 st	Χ				Anna Seewald		Χ			
Susan Jackson		Χ				Anju Thomas		Χ			
Molly Larobina	2 nd	Χ				George Waters		Χ			
David Learn		Х				Choka Yogalingam		Х			
Peter Schaeffing		Χ									

Location: 429 Joyce Kilmer Ave

New Brunswick, NJ 08901

XX. Closed Session (if necessary) - NONE