

**GBCS** Greater Brunswick Thursday, September 15, 2016 – 5:30 pm

# I. Call to Order By Board Secretary – 5:44 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
Claudia Avarado	Board Trustee	Х	
Christopher Coulthard	Board Trustee	Х	
Evan Gentry	Board Trustee	Х	
Susan Jackson	Board Chair	Х	
Molly Larobina	Board Vice-Chair		Х
Mariu Reynoso	Board Trustee	Х	
Anna Seewald	Board Trustee	Х	
Anju Thomas	Board Trustee	X	
Choka Yogalingam	Board Trustee	Х	

#### Also Present

Non-Voting	Role	Present	Absent
Vanessa Jones	Education Director	Х	
Hector Alvarez	Assistant Education Director	х	
Brian Falkowski	Acting SBA/ Board Secretary	Х	
Peter Creekmore	Teacher Representative	Х	

## IV. Pledge of Allegiance

## V. Trustee Election, Nomination(s) and Induction (Voting - Community member)

Nominee	Nominated By	Seconded By	Term	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sean Hewitt	C. Coulthard	Anna Seewald	3	8	0	0	1

## VI. Approve Meeting Agenda

Motion for Greater Brunswick Charter School, Board of Trustees to approve the Agenda for the **September 15, 2016** meeting.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Claudia Avarado		Х				Mariu Reynoso		Х			
Christopher Coulthard	1	Х				Anna Seewald	2	Х			
Evan Gentry		Х				Anju Thomas		Х			
Susan Jackson		Х				Choka Yogalingam		Х			
Molly Larobina					Х	Sean Hewitt		Х			

## VII. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

Motion for Greater Brunswick Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from **August 18**, **2016** (with deletion of "Mr. Al" in the closing comments)

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Claudia Avarado		Х				Mariu Reynoso	2	Х			
Christopher Coulthard	1	Х				Anna Seewald		Х			
Evan Gentry		Х				Anju Thomas		Х			
Susan Jackson		Х				Choka Yogalingam		Х			
Molly Larobina					Х	Sean Hewitt		Х			

# VIII. Public Comment - None

## IX. Correspondence - None

#### X. Reports

- 1. Director's Report given by Vanessa Jones
- 2. Charter School Renewal Application Update

Motion to accept Director's Report.

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Claudia Avarado		Х				Mariu Reynoso		Х			
Christopher Coulthard	1	Х				Anna Seewald	2	Х			
Evan Gentry		Х				Anju Thomas		Х			
Susan Jackson		Х				Choka Yogalingam		Х			
Molly Larobina					Х	Sean Hewitt		Х			

# XI. Closed Session (if necessary)

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Claudia Avarado		Х				Mariu Reynoso		Х			
Christopher Coulthard	1	Х				Anna Seewald	2	Х			
Evan Gentry		Х				Anju Thomas		Х			
Susan Jackson		Х				Choka Yogalingam		Х			
Molly Larobina					Х	Sean Hewitt		Х			

- a. Unpaid leave discussion occurred related to holidays.
- b. Student Issue student who will no acclimate to school was discussed.
- c. Non-replacement of positions related to budget based on attrition

# XII. Closed Session (if necessary)

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Claudia Avarado		Х				Mariu Reynoso		Х			
Christopher Coulthard	1	Х				Anna Seewald		Х			
Evan Gentry		Х				Anju Thomas		Х			
Susan Jackson		Х				Choka Yogalingam		Х			
Molly Larobina					Х	Sean Hewitt	1	Х			

# XIII. Motions for Approval

# 1. Finance

- a. To approve the July 2016 Board Secretary Report
- b. To approve the July 2016 Treasurer Report
- c. <u>Bills List</u>: Approve Bills List from August 19, 2016 to September 15, 2016.
- d. <u>Payroll</u>: To approve the following payrolls:

September 15, 2016	\$188,626.28	
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Christopher Coulthard	1	Х				Anna Seewald		Х			
Evan Gentry		Х				Anju Thomas		Х			
Susan Jackson		Х				Choka Yogalingam	2	Х			
Molly Larobina					Х	Sean Hewitt		Х			

#### 2. Buildings & Grounds

a. To approve the following facility use:

Who	Space	Date	Cost
NJCSA	Large Space, room for 40	Saturday, October 15, 2016 - 9am to 2:30pm	Pay for custodian.

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Evan Gentry		Х				Anju Thomas		Х			
Susan Jackson		Х				Choka Yogalingam	2	Х			
Molly Larobina					Х	Sean Hewitt		Х			

## 3. Personnel

- a. To approve the resignation of Bassey Onyile effective November 12, 2016.
- b. To approve the Family Learning Nights Staff starting 9/19/2016 as attached.
- c. To approve the following new staff:

Name	Title	Salary / Rate	Start Date
Diana Piedra	Teacher – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Dual Language	Step 1, \$48,670	September 1, 2016
Daisy Amador	Teacher Replacement – Dual Language 4/5 grade	Step 1, \$48,670	September 1, 2016 through March 30, 2017
Susan Alexander	After School Staff	\$15.00/hr	September 1, 2016
Yorquidea Sulay Inoa Guzman	After School Staff	\$10.00/hr	September 1, 2016
Guadalupe Dominguez Palacios	After School Staff	\$12.00/hr	September 1, 2016

d. To approve the following 17 stipends:

Name	Title	Salary / Rate
Lisa Porricelli	Group Leader - Special/Success/ESL	\$2,772
Christine Rozycki	Fast Forward Before School	\$40/hr, 1 hour per day, up to \$7,200/year

e. To approve the following Professional Development:

Who	When	Where	Торіс	Cost
Martha Goz	10/9/2016	Kenilworth, NJ	The Impact of Psychiatric and Emotional	
			Factors on Classroom Learning and Behavior	SCHOOL

f. To approve a non-precedent setting leave of absence for Maryam Khomusi, from October 3, 2016 through and including October 12, 2016.

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Christopher Coulthard	1	Х				Anna Seewald		Х			
Evan Gentry		Х				Anju Thomas		Х			
Susan Jackson		Х				Choka Yogalingam	2	Х			
Molly Larobina					Х	Sean Hewitt		Х			

# 4. Curriculum/Special Education

- a. To approve the contract with Mozaic Mindz to provide Child Study Team Services.
- b. To approve Field Trip to Von Thun's Farm on October 20, 2016 for 88 K-1 students, 10 teachers and 8 chaperones at a cost not to exceed \$500.
- c. To approve Fundraiser bake sale on 9/21/2016 to raise money for class trip.
- d. To approve a K-1 Fundraiser "Popcornopolis" sale (from end of September 2016 to end of October 2016) to raise money for Piggy and Elephant show class trip.

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Christopher Coulthard	1	Х				Anna Seewald		Х			
Evan Gentry		Х				Anju Thomas		Х			
Susan Jackson		Х	d.			Choka Yogalingam	2	Х			
Molly Larobina					Х	Sean Hewitt		Х			

## 5. Policy/Miscellaneous - NONE

## XIV. Enrollment Report

	FY17	Jul	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,	15,	List
		2016	2016	2016	2016	2016	2016	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2017	2016/2017
К	44	44	44	44										25
1	44	44	43	43										12
2	44	44	44	43										15
3	44	44	43	43										6
4	44	44	44	44										10
5	44	44	44	44										2
6	44	44	45	46										6

7	44	44	44	43					6
8	42	42	43	43					1
Total	394	394	394	393					83

## XV. Committee Reports

- 1. SRC will meet September 27, 2016
- 2. Community and Development none
- 3. Finance and Facilities Evan gave report during the Finance Motions section
- 4. Governance new board member, Sean Hewitt, parent volunteer breakfast, and Charter Renewal

# XVI. New Business

- 1. Brian Falkowski discussed the requirement of being a Board of Trustee member (background, disclosures, and mandated trainings).
- XVII. Closing Comments closing comments were made

# XVIII. Action Items

- Next Board Meetings: **2016** - 10/20, 11/17, 12/15 | **2017** - 1/19, 2/16, 3/16, 4/20, 5/11, 6/15

# XIX. Adjournment – 7:34 PM

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Christopher Coulthard	1	Х				Anna Seewald		Х			
Evan Gentry		Х				Anju Thomas		Х			
Susan Jackson		Х				Choka Yogalingam	2	Х			
Molly Larobina		Х			Х	Sean Hewitt		Х			