



## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of BBR Schools, Inc.

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August 8, 2023

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Location  
7921 Florida Blvd  
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

Board members present: Craig Barrett, Monique Scott-Spaulding, Jason Hughes, Liz Smith, Eboni Buchanan, Donald Carson (during Management Report) and Kurt Scott (ex-officio nonvoting member)

Board members absent: Jessica Baghian

Staff contributing to the meeting: DeAnna Rowe, Executive Director BBR; From BASIS Ed: Carolyn McGarvey, Jared Lamb, Marissa Carroll, Debbie O'Connor, Andy Riewe, Peter Bezanson, and Patti Bezanson.

1. Call to order – The meeting was called to order by Craig Barrett at 5:15 pm CT. A quorum was confirmed.
2. The agenda was adopted as presented.
3. Executive Director's Report: DeAnna provided an update on 1) the completion of the Materra Expansion which was delivered on time and on budget, 2) the current extension of the expired charter contract along with the progress and challenges of the renewal contract negotiations with EBR, 3) the opportunity for an NSLA grant for expansion research in Jefferson Parish, 4) the need to appoint new directors to the Friends of BASIS Louisiana Board, and 5) an introduction into each of the consent agenda items.
4. The Board adopted all items on the consent agenda as presented. (Motion by Liz Smith, Second by Monique Scott-Spaulding)
5. The BASIS Ed team presented the management report. Jared and Marissa introduced the school priorities for the year, including the "United We Stand" approach to training, procedure sharing, and messaging across the two campuses as a united BASIS Louisiana. They shared the academic goals and priorities for both campuses, driven by prior year performance. Liz Smith shared her appreciation for the "one BASIS" culture shift. After a review of the academic data, Liz requested that disaggregated data be evaluated and compared throughout the year. Enrollment at Materra is above budget. Mid City enrollment is below budget targets and continues to enroll students at all grade levels. Craig requested BASIS Ed identify the 3 priorities for enrolling 150 kinder students at Mid City in FY25 and provide quarterly updates on progress. Jason suggested that current family behavior cannot be the single indicator of transportation demand. DeAnna shared her request to NSBR to coordinate a discussion around a transportation co-op. The Board collectively requested that transportation be addressed. Both campuses are almost completely staffed with one half of Mid City staff being new or transfers from Materra. Work with EBR on our ongoing grade reporting


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concerns continues along with the submission of data and documents as requested. Peter shared the BASIS Ed priorities around academics, employment, and enrollment.

6. The Board reviewed the Q4 financial report.
7. The Board adopted the FY2024 budget for both campuses. (Motion by Monique Scott-Spaulding, Second by Liz Smith)
8. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm CT.

Minutes taken by DeAnna Rowe

  
Liz Smith (Dec 18, 2023 09:13 CST)

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Liz Smith  
Secretary of the Board  
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