

URBAN CHOICE CHARTER SCHOOL  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES – MINUTES  
THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2019

**Present:** Nelson Blish, Julie Boland, Megan Bosco, Miriam Miranda-Jurado, Bliss Owen, Lee Tutt

**Absent:** Kathleen Hurley Wiecek, Jason Mellen

**Guest:** Mubarak Bashir, Prospective Board Member

**Media Notification:** Erica Bryant of the Democrat and Chronicle was notified of the May 9, 2019 Annual Meeting and Regular Board of Trustees meeting on April 30, 2019. Public notice was also posted in the school, published in the school newsletter and on the school website.

*ANNUAL MEETING*

The Annual Meeting was called to order at 5:59 p.m. by Nelson Blish.

**Motion 180509.1** Upon a motion by Megan Bosco and duly seconded by Nelson Blish, the following was submitted for adoption: RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees formally accept the second three year terms for board members Julie Boland and Kathleen Hurley Wiecek beginning on July 1, 2019 and ending on June 30, 2022.

**Voting in the affirmative:** Nelson Blish, Julie Boland, Megan Bosco, Miriam Miranda-Jurado, Bliss Owen, Lee Tutt

**Voting in the negative:** None

Motion 180509.1 passed 6 to 0

- The proposed slate of officers and committee chair identified by the Governance Committee for 2019-2020:

BOT Chair: Nelson Blish  
BOT Vice Chair: Kathleen Hurley Wiecek  
BOT Treasurer: Bliss Owen  
BOT Secretary: Julie Boland  
Governance Committee Chair: Megan Bosco

**Motion 180509.2**            Upon a motion by Megan Bosco and duly seconded by Julie Boland, the following was submitted for adoption: RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees formally accept the slate of officers and committee chair for 2019-2020 as identified by the Governance Committee.

Voting in the affirmative: Nelson Blish, Julie Boland, Megan Bosco, Miriam Miranda-Jurado, Bliss Owen, Lee Tutt

Voting in the negative:        None

Motion 180509.2 passed 6 to 0

**Motion 180509.3**            Upon a motion by Julie Boland and duly seconded by Megan Bosco, the following was submitted for adoption: RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees adjourn the Annual Meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Voting in the affirmative: Nelson Blish, Julie Boland, Megan Bosco, Miriam Miranda-Jurado, Bliss Owen, Lee Tutt

Voting in the negative:        None

Motion 180509.3 passed 6 to 0

## *BOARD MEETING*

The Board Meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. and the mission statement was shared.

**Motion 180509.4**                      Upon a motion by Lee Tutt and duly seconded by Megan Bosco, the following was submitted for adoption: RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the April 11, 2019 minutes.

Voting in the affirmative:    Nelson Blish, Julie Boland, Megan Bosco, Miriam Miranda-Jurado, Bliss Owen, Lee Tutt

Voting in the negative:        None

Motion 180509.4 passed 6 to 0

### **LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORT**

#### Lynn McCarthy:

- Staff Appreciation Week
  - A video highlighting UCCS students expressing appreciation for their teachers was shared; the video was also shared with all staff at Professional Development
  - Staff luncheon was held for our half day Professional Development
  - PTA is providing breakfast for staff tomorrow morning
- Shared an update related to in-kind donations for Family Night activities (pizza, gift cards, gift packages) and reported that the Silent Auction generated approximately \$1,500 which will be given to teachers (\$150 check was made out to the Scholastic Book Fair for each grade level to purchase books for their classrooms)
- Shared email received from GoodSchoolsRoc inquiring about sharing our fifth grade waiting list for a school with low enrollment
  - After consideration, it was determined that information will be shared promoting the charter school while holding the specific names of parents and students that want to attend UCCS
- Discussed the proposed UCCS 2019-2020 School Calendar
  - We must follow Rochester CSD calendar due to bus schedule
  - 180 days of school planned for students
  - December 2019 holiday break will be two full weeks in duration
  - 189 days for teaching staff members

**Motion 180509.5**                      Upon a motion by Julie Boland and duly seconded by Bliss Owen, the following was submitted for adoption: RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees approve the 2019-2020 School Calendar.                      .

Voting in the affirmative:    Nelson Blish, Julie Boland, Megan Bosco, Miriam Miranda-Jurado, Bliss Owen, Lee Tutt

Voting in the negative:        None

Motion 180509.5 passed 6 to 0

**Kevin Beaumont:**

- State math testing was completed
  - Our students worked very hard
- Upcoming science tests discussed
- We will be celebrating the hard work of our students in June
  - There will be different celebrations/activities for a variety of grades

**Kisha Stubbs:**

- Dashboard Review
  - Instructional staff attendance: 94.2%
  - All Staff attendance: 93.5%
  - Reviewed ATS visits
  - Out of School Suspensions are down
  - Enrollment is at 390 after one student in kindergarten and two first grade students withdrew
  - A total of 716 on our waiting list

**GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE REPORT – No Report**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

- Meeting held last week with a focus on the budget
  - Shared the budget and presented highlights
    - ✓ Our E-rate has decreased
    - ✓ Special Events increased by \$5K

- ✓ Assessment decreased eliminated SRI and SMI
- ✓ iReady diagnostic will provide scores automatically
- ✓ Costs are decreasing for ChromeBooks
- ✓ Middle School class trip was not planned for this school year
  - We are considering a September 2-3 leadership development camp (students would overnight) with team building at the camp
- ✓ Graduation and moving up – increased due to the number of awards
- ✓ ELA and Math Prep planned for five Saturdays (busing is a significant part of the cost)
- ✓ Sports program with plans to add Track next year
- Requested all board members review and submit email questions if needed for approval at the June BOT meeting

#### BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT – Miriam Miranda-Jurado

- Visited a new building last week (a former bowling alley)
  - Four acres with green space – internal space and a basement
  - Entrance would function as a bus loop
  - Might provide for cafeteria space, gym, music, and art space
  - Windows will need to be added
  - City would approve of the space/land for a school
  - Architects and engineers needed to put design together and provide estimates

#### CHAIR REPORT – Nelson Blish

- Strategic Plan was prepared and shared with staff
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will graduate with a high school credit in Spanish
- Graduation is planned for June 20 at 6 p.m.
- An interesting speaker is planned and name will be shared soon

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

#### Motion 180509.6

Upon a motion by Megan Bosco and duly seconded by Julie Boland, the following was submitted for adoption: RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees enter Executive Session at 6:51 p.m.

Voting in the affirmative: Nelson Blish, Julie Boland, Megan Bosco, Miriam Miranda-Jurado, Bliss Owen, Lee Tutt

Voting in the negative: None

Motion 180509.6 passed 6 to 0

**Motion 180509.7** Upon a motion by Megan Bosco and duly seconded by Julie Boland, the following was submitted for adoption: RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees end Executive Session..

Voting in the affirmative: Nelson Blish, Julie Boland, Megan Bosco, Miriam Miranda-Jurado, Bliss Owen, Lee Tutt

Voting in the negative: None

Motion 180509.7 passed 6 to 0

**Motion 180509.8** Upon a motion by Megan Bosco and duly seconded by Miriam Miranda-Jurado, the following was submitted for adoption: RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees adjourn the meeting.

Voting in the affirmative: Nelson Blish, Julie Boland, Megan Bosco, Miriam Miranda-Jurado, Bliss Owen, Lee Tutt

Voting in the negative: None

Motion 180509.8 passed 6 to 0

**NEXT BOARD MEETING** June 13, 2019