

Administration

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Thursday, February 13, 2014
Rescheduled Thursday, February 27, 2014
Minutes

MEETING PLACE: 675 E. Broad St., Bethlehem, PA 18018 Room 118 6:00pm

The Board President called the meeting to order at 6:05.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance:
- II. Moment of Silence:
- III. Roll Call:

Present:

Mario Acerra	Marc Basist – arrived at 6:25pm	Paul Braden
Otto Ehram	Nancy Mikkelsen	Len Perrett
Charles Stinner		

Absent:

Mark Ferguson	Tom Kartsotis
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Also Present:

Diane LaBelle, Executive Director	
Sharon Fehlinger-Ricker, Principal	Brian Hoover – Dean of Student Services
Cheryl Schurz, Director of Finance	Debra Storm, Director of Development

IV. Board of Directors appointments and resignation:

Motion: The Board of Directors appoints John Filipos to the Board of Directors and the Finance Committee – term to expire May 2015, Yvette Johnson to the Board of Directors and the Finance and Development Committees – term to expire May 2016, Rosemary Murdy-Haber to the Board of Directors and the Curriculum Committee – term to expire May 2014. The Board of Directors accepts with regret the resignation of Mr. Tom Kartsotis and thanks him for faithful service.

MM: Braden	SM: Stinner	ACTION CARRIED: 6-0
Mario Acerra - Yes	Paul Braden – Yes	Otto Ehram - Yes
Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes	Len Perrett - Yes	Charles Stinner - Yes

V. Public Comments: (limited to 3 minutes per individual) none

VI. Executive Session:

Motion: The Board of Directors moves to go into Executive Session at 6:10pm.

MM: Stinner	SM: Erhsam	ACTION CARRIED: 9-0
Mario Acerra - Yes	Paul Braden – Yes	Otto Ehram - Yes
John Filipos – Yes	Yvette Johnson – Yes	Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes
Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes	Len Perrett - Yes	Charles Stinner – Yes

VII. Open Session:

The Board of Directors returns to Open Session at 6:19 pm.

Opening Remarks –

- Mr. Acerra, Board President – Welcome new Board Members.
- Ms. Diane LaBelle, Executive Director – Welcome new Board Members and Mr. Brian Hoover, new Dean of Student Services began employment January 2, 2014.

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VIII. Acceptance of **Consent Agenda Items:**

- i. Acceptance of December 12, 2013 Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Minutes
- ii. Facility Report - Schurz
- iii. Technology Report – Scheinblum
- iv. Development Report - Storm
- v. Public Relations Report - Gillette
- vi. Principal’s Report – Fehlinger-Ricker
- vii. Dean of Academic Affairs – Comstock
- viii. Dean of Student Services - Hoover

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Director, the Board of Directors approves the Consent Agenda items.

MM: Mikkelsen	SM: Stinner	ACTION CARRIED: 9-0
Mario Acerra - Yes	Paul Braden – Yes	Otto Ehram - Yes
John Filipos – Yes	Yvette Johnson – Yes	Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes
Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes	Len Perrett - Yes	Charles Stinner – Yes

IX. Personnel Report

Approval of 2013-2014 Updates to the Personnel and Sub Roster

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Director and the Finance Committee, the Board of Directors approves the 2013-2014 updates to the Personnel and Sub Roster.

MM: Braden	SM: Mikkelsen	ACTION CARRIED: 9-0
Mario Acerra - Yes	Paul Braden – Yes	Otto Ehram - Yes
John Filipos – Yes	Yvette Johnson – Yes	Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes
Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes	Len Perrett - Yes	Charles Stinner – Yes

X. Old Business – Based upon prospective enrollment for 2014-2015 school year, Rev Braden recommended **no action** on the Figure Skating Program for 2014-2015 school year.

XI. New Business

Charter Arts Foundation

Charter Arts Foundation Board Appointment and Resignation

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Director, the Board of Directors approves the the appointment of Marna Hayden to the Charter Arts Foundation Board. The Board of Directors accepts the resignation of Holly Celaschi and Sharon Scheirer from the Charter Arts Foundation.

MM: Stinner	SM: Mikkelsen	ACTION CARRIED: 9-0
Mario Acerra - Yes	Paul Braden – Yes	Otto Ehram - Yes
John Filipos – Yes	Yvette Johnson – Yes	Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes
Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes	Len Perrett - Yes	Charles Stinner – Yes

Appointment to Sign Contracts and Checks

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Director and the Executive Committee, the Board of Directors appoints Diane LaBelle as the representative of the Board of Directors and Charter Arts Foundation Board to negotiate and sign contracts for construction, architects, project management and development. Cheryl Schurz, Finance Director and Diane LaBelle, Executive Director are approved to sign checks written from Charter Arts Foundation account.

MM: Braden	SM: Stinner	ACTION CARRIED: 10-0
Mario Acerra - Yes	Marc Basist – Yes	Paul Braden – Yes
Otto Ehram - Yes	John Filipos – Yes	Yvette Johnson – Yes
Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes	Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes	Len Perrett - Yes

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Charles Stinner – Yes

Mr. Ferguson’s Foundation Board Report

Finance Committee

Approval of December 2013 Financial Statements

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the Board of Directors approves the December 2013 Financial Statements.

MM: Finance Committee

ACTION CARRIED: 10-0

Mario Acerra - Yes	Marc Basist – Yes	Paul Braden – Yes
Otto Ehram - Yes	John Filipos – Yes	Yvette Johnson – Yes
Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes	Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes	Len Perrett - Yes
Charles Stinner – Yes		

Curriculum Committee

Approval of Suspension of Middle States Accreditation Review

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Director and the Curriculum Committee, the Board of Directors approves the Suspension of Middle States Accreditation Review.

MM: Perrett

SM: Basist

ACTION CARRIED: 10-0

Mario Acerra - Yes	Marc Basist – Yes	Paul Braden – Yes
Otto Ehram - Yes	John Filipos – Yes	Yvette Johnson – Yes
Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes	Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes	Len Perrett - Yes
Charles Stinner – Yes		

Approval of Colonial IU 2013-2014 Contract

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Director and the Principal, the Board of Directors approves the Colonial IU 2013-2014 Contract.

MM: Stinner

SM: Basist

ACTION CARRIED: 10-0

Mario Acerra - Yes	Marc Basist – Yes	Paul Braden – Yes
Otto Ehram - Yes	John Filipos – Yes	Yvette Johnson – Yes
Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes	Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes	Len Perrett - Yes
Charles Stinner – Yes		

Approval of 249 Anti-Bullying Policy

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Director and the Principal, the Board of Directors approves the Anti-Bullying Policy

MM: Stinner

SM: Basist

ACTION CARRIED: 10-0

Mario Acerra - Yes	Marc Basist – Yes	Paul Braden – Yes
Otto Ehram - Yes	John Filipos – Yes	Yvette Johnson – Yes
Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes	Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes	Len Perrett - Yes
Charles Stinner – Yes		

Approval of Updated 2013-2014 School Calendar

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Director and the Principal, the Board of Directors approves the updated 2013-2014 School Calendar.

MM: Basist

SM: Mikkelsen

ACTION CARRIED: 10-0

Mario Acerra - Yes	Marc Basist – Yes	Paul Braden – Yes
Otto Ehram - Yes	John Filipos – Yes	Yvette Johnson – Yes
Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes	Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes	Len Perrett - Yes
Charles Stinner – Yes		

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Approval of Contract with Big Brothers, Big Sisters for the 2013-2014 School Year

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Director and the Principal, the Board of Directors approves the contract with Big Brothers, Big Sisters for the 2-13-2014 School Year.

MM: Mikkelsen	SM: Braden	ACTION CARRIED: 10-0
Mario Acerra - Yes	Marc Basist – Yes	Paul Braden – Yes
Otto Ehram - Yes	John Filipos – Yes	Yvette Johnson – Yes
Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes	Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes	Len Perrett - Yes
Charles Stinner – Yes		

The following motion was made for 3 PMEA trips

Approval of PMEA Region V Band Festival

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Director and the Principal, the Board of Directors approves the PMEA Region V Band Festival Trip March 13-15, 2014. One overnight stay Thursday, March 13, 2014 with Mr. Bauer, and a female chaperone at Holiday Inn Express and Suites, Carlisle, PA. Students are housed in a hotel hosted by the Festival and included in registration fees Friday, March 14, 2014.

Approval of PMEA Region V Chorus Festival

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Director and the Principal, the Board of Directors approves the PMEA Region V Chorus Festival Trip February 14 – 15, 2014, Chambersburg, PA.

Approval of PMEA Region V Orchestra Festival

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Director and the Principal, the Board of Directors approves the PMEA Region V Orchestra Festival Trip February 26 – March 1, 2014, Easton, PA. Students to stay with host families.

MM: Braden	SM: Basist	ACTION CARRIED: 10-0
Mario Acerra - Yes	Marc Basist – Yes	Paul Braden – Yes
Otto Ehram - Yes	John Filipos – Yes	Yvette Johnson – Yes
Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes	Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes	Len Perrett - Yes
Charles Stinner – Yes		

Approval of “Movie Club”

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Director and the Principal, the Board of Directors approves the “Movie Club”.

MM: Stinner	SM: Basist	ACTION CARRIED: 10-0
Mario Acerra - Yes	Marc Basist – Yes	Paul Braden – Yes
Otto Ehram - Yes	John Filipos – Yes	Yvette Johnson – Yes
Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes	Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes	Len Perrett - Yes
Charles Stinner – Yes		

Executive Committee

Approval of Amended Committee Structure

Motion: Based upon the recommendation of the Executive Director and the Executive Committee, the Board of Directors approve the Amended Committee Structure.

MM: Mikkelsen	SM: Basist	ACTION CARRIED: 10-0
Mario Acerra - Yes	Marc Basist – Yes	Paul Braden – Yes
Otto Ehram - Yes	John Filipos – Yes	Yvette Johnson – Yes
Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes	Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes	Len Perrett - Yes
Charles Stinner – Yes		

Review of NEW Employee Handbook – To be approved at the April 10, 2014 Board Meeting

Resource Development Committee – No Report

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Board Development Committee – No Report

XII. Public Comments: (limited to 3 minutes per individual) – Cheryl Reid, parent of auditioning Figure Skating student, thanked the Board for continuing the Figure Skating Program in the 2014-2015 school year.

XIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: 7:05PM

MM: Ehram

SM: Braden

ACTION CARRIED: 10-0

Mario Acerra - Yes

Marc Basist – Yes

Paul Braden – Yes

Otto Ehram - Yes

John Filipos – Yes

Yvette Johnson – Yes

Nancy Mikkelsen - Yes

Rosemary Murdy-Haber – Yes

Len Perrett - Yes

Charles Stinner – Yes

Next Meeting Date and Time: Thursday, April 10, 2014, 6pm.