

BRIDGES Charter School

PUBLIC MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

Monday, November 14, 2011

Meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Location: Multipurpose Room, BRIDGES Campus, 1335 Calle Bouganvilla

AGENDA

A. OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE MEETING

1. Call to Order
2. Reminder to community to turn in Public Comment cards for Agenda Item B
3. On July 11th, 2011 a values workshop was held including 6 of 7 BRIDGES Board members together with 35 parents, teachers and staff to respond to the focus question, "What are the shared values of the BRIDGES Charter School Community?" The primary response was; WHOLE CHILD EDUCATION. Specifically an educational system that is; Challenging, Healthy, Engaged, Safe, & Supported
4. Roll Call

Present

Absent

Jon Baker

Terri Childs

Kim Convy

Kenny Leopold

Jim McGlynn

Kathi Vanderluit

Randy Witt

5. Approval of the Agenda for the current Public Meeting of BRIDGES Charter School Board of Directors.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Citizens who would like to address the Board on any item on the Agenda may do so when the President requests comments from the Public as the Board is considering the item. This portion of the Board Meeting is set aside for members of the audience to make comments or raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. These presentations are limited to five (5) minutes per presentation and must be in keeping with the spirit of the charter school vision for positive, respectful and peaceful collaboration.

C. CORRESPONDENCE

Citizens who would like to address the Board in a written communication to be made public may do so by sending a communication to the director for Board distribution, or by Emailing ALL members of the Board in a single Email listing EACH Board member in the To: line. If a citizen wishes to correspond with an individual Board Member(s), they may do so by sending individual Emails to each board member.

D. STUDY SESSION:

(Discussion Only – No Action will be taken.) In order to encourage a school community in which all members are active participants, the board may offer time at each meeting for the community and the Board to discuss items of importance or concern on topics within the following category:

1. What does Whole Child Education mean to this community and how do we best institute it in terms of both education and discipline?
2. General comments;
 - a. Student Achievement
 - b. School Mission and Vision

E. REPORTS

1. Director (include student numbers per grade and wait list status)
2. Education Coordinator
3. Home-school Coordinator
4. Special Education Coordinator
5. VCOE Representative
6. BSA
7. PAC (Board Packet Item 1)
8. Individual Board Members

F. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Actions proposed for the Consent Agenda are items consistent with adopted policies and approved practices of BRIDGES and are deemed routine in nature. The Board will be asked to approve all of the Consent Agenda items by a single vote unless any member of the Board or the Public asks that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered and discussed separately.

1. Consideration of the approval of the minutes from the October 17, 2011 BRIDGES Board of Directors Meeting (Board Packet Item 2)
2. Consideration of the approval of the minutes from October 21, 2011 BRIDGES Board of Directors Meeting (Board Packet Item 3)

G. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

These items are presented to the Board for information only and are not subject to action at this meeting. These items may be added to a future meeting for action by the Board. The public may make comments on any or all items listed below by submitting a speaker card.

1. Discussion of mid-year staff/director evaluation (Hilda Salas & Board)
2. Discussion of personal contracts for FRISK compliance. (Jon Baker)
3. Discussion of Bench-mark to be achieved by current board for Policy Creation (Jim McGlynn)
4. Discussion of WASC Strategic Pre-Planning Sub Committee (Juliet Herman, Kim Convy, Tina Lorch, Meredith Benton NPA)
5. Discussion and presentation of Bridges Personnel Policy & Handbook (Board Packet Item 4)
6. Discussion of FRISK'ed Complaint Policy (Board Packet Item 5)
7. Discussion of the VCOE presentation of October 24, 2011 (Jon Baker)
8. Discussion of parent/student handbook and roster (Jon Baker)

9. Discussion of Meeting of Saturday October 29 (Board Packet Item 6) (Randy Witt, Hilda Salas, Kim Convy, Jim McGlynn)
10. Discussion of the three largest issues facing BRIDGES Charter School. Format for discussion is noted below:
 - A. Board members are to present any issues in a one paragraph verbal statement
 - B. The Board will NOT discuss these statements in order to maintain Brown Act compliance
 - C. The President will attempt to formulate each issue into agenda item language.
 - D. These potential agenda items will be distilled, by vote during this meeting, to the top three for consideration at the next BRIDGES Board meeting.

H. ACTION ITEMS

These items are subject to being discussed, voted upon and approved by the board. All items are subject to public comment by submitting a speaker card prior to the call for a Board vote.

1. Formal Election of Board Secretary and Treasurer.
2. Submission for approval of Policy on Student Accidents
(Board Packet Item 7) (Presented by Jim McGlynn & Randy Witt)
Public Comments:
Motion made by:
Seconded by:
3. Submission for approval of Policy on Assessments and Examinations
(Board Packet Item 8) (Presented by Jim McGlynn)
Public Comments:
Motion made by:
Seconded by:

I. CLOSED SESSION

1. Student Discipline; Suspension/Expulsion of two students.

J. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

K. NEXT MEETING DATE

The proposed topics for the next BRIDGES Board meeting (November 28th) currently include the items listed below. Additional topics for consideration and their corresponding supporting material should be emailed to randy.witt@bridgescharter.org one week prior to the date of the next meeting.

1. Results from item G8

L. ADJOURNMENT