



**B.E.S.T. ACADEMY MINUTES:  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS August 17, 2022**

A meeting of the Board of Directors (the “**Board**”) of Brookfield Engineering Science and Technology Academy Charter School (“**B.E.S.T.**” or the “**School**”) was held on Wednesday, August 17, 2022, by online Zoom meeting.

**Directors Present:** Joseph Cipres, Ognen Nastov, Chad Leptich, and Edward Singh

**Directors Absent:** Kristine Stanga

**Also Present:** James “Jim” Mays, Alex Soriano, Cory Cavanah, Jennifer Evins, Reynalda Lopez, and Donna Colbert

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Vice Board President Joseph Cipres called the meeting to order at 5:33pm. A quorum of the directors was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

2. **Approval of Agenda:** *It is recommended by the Board of Directors, adopt as amended, the agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of August 17, 2022.*

**Approval Motion:** Edward Singh **Second:** Chad Leptich **Ayes:** All

2.1 Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *aye*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich – *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *absent*

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Led by:** Jennifer Evins

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS / RECOGNITION / REPORTS**

None

5. **CORRESPONDENCE/PROPOSALS/REPORTS/INFORMATION**

**a. Independent Study Policy:** Mr. Soriano presented the Independent Study Policy for the Board’s information.

**b. Budget Update:** Mr. Cavanah presented a budget update to the Board.

**c. Staff Professional Development Calendar:** Mr. Mays presented the staff professional development calendar.

**6. APPROVAL OF CONSOLIDATED MOTION FOR CONSENT CALENDAR**

All matters under the consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine, and will be approved, ratified, and enacted in one motion in the form listed below. Unless specifically requested by a board member for further discussion or removed from the agenda, there will be no more discussion on these items prior to Board vote. Comments by the Board may be made at the discretion of the Chairperson.

**Approval Motion:** Edward Singh **Second:** Ognen Nastov **Ayes:** All

6.1 Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *aye*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich - *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *absent*

**a. Approval of the Minutes:** *Board Meeting of June 22, 2022*

**b. Check Register:** *July 2022 Check Register*

**c. Expense Reports:** *July Reimbursements*

**7. ACTION ITEMS**

~~**a. Organization of the Board of Directors**~~

**8. BOARD COMMENTS:**

Mr. Singh expressed his appreciation for the group professional development. Mr. Cipres echoed the sentiments for having the opportunity to meet the staff and see them in collaboration for the upcoming year,

**9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS:**

Mr. Mays thanked everyone for coming to the board meeting and professional development. Mr. Soriano thanked the Board for their support and expressed his appreciation for the B.E.S.T. Academy staff.

**10. ADJOURNMENT:**

10.1a Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *aye*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich - *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *absent*

**Upcoming BEST Academy Board Meetings:**

- September 7, 2022
- October 5, 2022
- November 2, 2022
- December 1, 2022
- February 1, 2022
- March 1, 2022
- April 5, 2022
- May 3, 2022
- June 7, 2022
- June 28, 2022

Meeting adjourned 5:56pm