



**B.E.S.T. ACADEMY MINUTES:
REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS May 4, 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, May 4, 2022, by online Zoom meeting.

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

Directors Absent:

Also Present: James “Jim” Mays, Alex Soriano, Daniel Crook, Cory Cavanah, Bryan Farmer and Donna Colbert

1. CALL TO ORDER Board President Kristine Stanga called the meeting to order at 5:31pm. 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 presented, the agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of May 4, 2022.*

Approval Motion: Edward Singh **Second:** Joseph Cipres **Ayes:** All

2.1 Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *aye*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich – *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by: Alex Soriano

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS / RECOGNITION / REPORTS

None

5. CORRESPONDENCE/PROPOSALS/REPORTS/INFORMATION

a. May Financial Report: Mr. Cavanah presented the May financial report to the Board.

b. Updated School Calendar 2022-23: Mr. Mays presented the updated school calendar to the Board.

c. Curriculum and Professional Development Contracts: Mr. Soriano explained the Curriculum and Professional Development Contracts to the Board for consideration.

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: Ognen Nastov **Second:** Joseph Cipres **Ayes:** All

6.1 Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *aye*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich - *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

a. Approval of the Minutes: *Special Board Meeting of April 21, 2022*

b. Expense Reports: *April Reimbursements*

c. Check Register: *April 2022 Check Register*

7. ACTION ITEMS

a. Proposed Certificated and Classified Salary Schedule 22-23: Mr. Soriano presented the Proposed Certificated and Classified Salary Schedule 22-23 for Board approval.

Approval Motion: Ognen Nastov **Second:** Joseph Cipres **Ayes:** All

7.1a Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *aye*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich - *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

b. One-time Bonus for Employees: Mr. Mays discussed one-time bonuses for staff for their dedication to B.E.S.T. Academy for Board approval.

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

7.1b Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *aye*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich - *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

c. Summer School Plan: Mr. Mays shared the Summer School Plan with the Board for approval.

Approval Motion: Ognen Nastov **Second:** Joseph Cipres **Ayes:** All

7.1c Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *aye*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich - *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

d. In-Person Professional Development, August 2022: Mr. Mays presented the August 2022 in-person professional development plan to the Board. The professional development would include a B.E.S.T. Academy Board Meeting scheduled during the meeting dates.

Approval Motion: Joseph Cipres **Second:** Ognen Nastov **Ayes:** All

7.1d Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *aye*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich - *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

e. Staff MacBook Purchases: Mr. Mays discussed the need for Staff MacBook Purchases for the staff. Amendment to include approval for a staff Apple laptop computer. The type of laptop for purchase will be determined after further research.

Approval Motion: Ognen Nastov **Second:** Joseph Cipres **Ayes:** All

7.1e Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *aye*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich - *aye*
Kristine Stanga - *aye*

f. FormativeEd Contract: Mr. Soriano previously presented the contract information. Approval of this contract allows for purchase.

Approval Motion: Chad Leptich **Second:** Ognen Nastov **Ayes:** All

7.1f Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*
Joseph Cipres - *aye*
Ognen Nastov - *aye*
Chad Leptich - *aye*
Kristine Stanga - *aye*

g. Arizona State University Professional Development: Mr. Soriano presented the Arizona State University Professional Development for approval.

Approval Motion: Joseph Cipres **Second:** Edward Singh **Ayes:** All

7.1g Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*
Joseph Cipres - *aye*
Ognen Nastov - *aye*
Chad Leptich - *aye*
Kristine Stanga - *aye*

h. Pointful Education Contract: Mr. Soriano presented the career technical education courses with Pointful Education Contract for Board consideration.

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

7.1h Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*
Joseph Cipres - *aye*
Ognen Nastov - *aye*
Chad Leptich - *aye*
Kristine Stanga - *aye*

i. Accelerate Education Contract: Mr. Soriano presented the Accelerate Education Contract for Board approval.

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

7.1i Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*
Joseph Cipres - *aye*
Ognen Nastov - *aye*
Chad Leptich - *aye*
Kristine Stanga - *aye*

j. Human Resources Consultant: Mr. Soriano presented the Human Resources Consultant contract for Board consideration.

Approval Motion: Joseph Cipres **Second:** Edward Singh **Ayes:** All

7.1j Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*
Joseph Cipres - *aye*
Ognen Nastov - *aye*
Chad Leptich - *aye*
Kristine Stanga - *aye*

k. Character Strong Contract: Mr. Soriano explained the Character Strong Contract for Board approval.

Approval Motion: Joseph Cipres **Second:** Ognen Nastov **Ayes:** All

7.1k Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*
Joseph Cipres - *aye*
Ognen Nastov - *aye*
Chad Leptich - *aye*
Kristine Stanga - *aye*

8. BOARD COMMENTS:

Mr. Cipres asked for the student award dates for Board members to schedule ahead to attend.

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS:

Mr. Mays expressed his appreciation for Mr. Soriano presenting all the contract renewals and initial contracts to the Board. Additionally, Mr. Mays expressed the upcoming teacher and staff appreciation meeting and invited the Board Members to attend.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

10.1a Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*
Joseph Cipres - *aye*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*
Chad Leptich - *aye*
Kristine Stanga - *aye*

Upcoming BEST Academy Board Meetings:

- June 22, 2022

Meeting adjourned 6:50pm