



**B.E.S.T. ACADEMY MINUTES:
REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS February 23, 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, February 23, 2022, by online Zoom meeting.

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

Directors Absent: Edward Singh

Also Present: James “Jim” Mays, Daniel Crook, Cory Cavanah, Joel Manwarren, Joshua Goyer, Natalie Maldonado, 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 February 23, 2022.*

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

2.1 Roll Call

Edward Singh - *absent*

Joseph Cipres - *aye*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich – *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by: Kristine Stanga

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS / RECOGNITION / REPORTS

Mr. Manwarren discussed CAL-SOAP presenting a FASFA workshop for the students and their parents in both English and Spanish. Southwestern College presented a scholarship workshop. Next month the San Diego Police will have a workshop for internet safety. All the above have been organized by Success Coach, Jessica. Shoutout to Reni Lopez for her details and organization with enrollment and a new enrollment program. Shoutout to PLC department

shares in their extensive collaboration. Additionally, we have launched a number of student clubs with the help of teachers. Shoutout to Teachers and Success Coaches for winter NWEA test. Shout out to Natalie Maldonado for her recent promotion to English Language Development Coordinator.

5. CORRESPONDENCE/PROPOSALS/REPORTS/INFORMATION

- a. February Financial Report:** Mr. Cavanah presented the February financial plan to the Board.
- b. Update: PCSGP Audit:** Mr. Mays updated the Board on the PCSGP Audit.
- c. Governance Academy Update** Mr. Soriano reminded the Board to take the Governance Academy Brown Act Training.
- d. Form 700:** Mr. Soriano explained to the Board Form 700 that needs to be complete by April 1, 2022 and submitted to the San Diego county Board of Supervisors.
- e. 2021 Progress toward LCAP Goals (LCAP Outcomes):** Mr. Crook presented the LPAC Mid-Year update to the Board. Mr. Mays, Mr. Goyer, and Mr. Manwarren contributed additional information for LCAP goals, updates, and next steps.
- f. Supplement to the Annual Update to the 21-22 LCAP (Narrative):** Mr. Crook explained the Supplement to the Annual Update to the 21-22 LCAP (Narrative) to the Board.
- g. A-G Completion Improvement Grant Plan:** Mr. Crook displayed the A-G Completion Improvement Grant Plan description.
- h. Board Policies for adoption:** Mr. Soriano presented Board Policies for adoption to the Board.
- i. Director Evaluation:** Mrs. Stanga explained the sample of Directors Evaluations forms. These evaluations would take place in closed sessions at the end of the academic year.

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

6.1 Roll Call

Edward Singh - *absent*

Joseph Cipres - *aye*

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

a. Approval of the Minutes: *Board Meeting of January 26, 2022*

b. Expense Reports: *January Reimbursements*

c. Check Register: *January 2022 Check Register*

7. ACTION ITEMS

a. 2021 Comprehensive School Safety Plan: Mr. Crook presented the 2021 Comprehensive School Safety Plan for approval.

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

7.1a Roll Call

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

b. Approval of 2nd Interim Report: Mr. Cavanah presented the 2nd Interim Report for Board approval.

Approval Motion: Chad Leptich **Second:** Joseph Cipres **Ayes:** All

7.1b Roll Call

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

c. Add Board Meeting on March 16, 2022: Mr. Soriano requested that we add a March 16, 2022 Board meeting to present necessary policies for approval.

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

7.1c Roll Call

Edward Singh - *absent*
Joseph Cipres - *aye*
Ognen Nastov - *aye*
Chad Leptich - *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

8. BOARD COMMENTS:

Mr. Leptich asked for more clarity with the NWEA test and student motivational goals. Mr. Nastov also asked for some visual graphs for the NWEA testing. Mrs. Stanga appreciates the assessment information for the students. Mrs. Stanga added that she wanted to recognize Reni Lopez for her dedication in enrollment and to Natalie Maldonado for her promotion through hard work and dedication. Additionally, Mrs. Stanga wanted to express her thanks to the employees for all the behind the scenes work to help the students.

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS:

Mr. Mays announced his gratitude for the B.E.S.T. Academy staff as well as the B.E.S.T. Academy Board members for the growth and support in the school and the students. Mr. Soriano echoed Mr. Mays in his appreciation for the B.E.S.T. Academy staff and the School Board.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

10.1a Roll Call

Edward Singh - absent

Joseph Cipres - *aye*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich - *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

Upcoming BEST Academy Board Meetings:

- March 16, 2022
- April 6, 2022
- May 4, 2022
- June 1, 2022

Meeting adjourned 7:08pm