



**B.E.S.T. ACADEMY MINUTES:
REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS December 1, 2021**

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, December 1, 2021, by online Zoom meeting.

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

Directors Absent: Joseph Cipres

Also Present: James “Jim” Mays, Daniel Crook, Cory Cavanah, Joel Manwarren, 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 December 1, 2021.*

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

2.1 Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *absent*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich – *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by: Kristine Stanga

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS / RECOGNITION / REPORTS

Mr. Mays discussed B.E.S.T. Academy’s connection to Arizona State University (ASU). Students who fit the criteria and have a teacher recommendation may take ASU elective online courses for credit. Mr. Mays announced 5 students have signed up to take advantage of this opportunity.

5. CORRESPONDENCE/PROPOSALS/REPORTS/INFORMATION

a. November Financial Report: Mr. Cavanah presented the November financial plan to the Board.

b. Brown Act Training - Virtual Module: Mrs. Stanga recommended to the Board to have a goal of completing the virtual Brown Act Training by the end of February.

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 - *absent*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich - *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

a. Approval of the Minutes: *Board Meeting of November 3, 2021*

b. Expense Reports: *November Reimbursements*

c. Check Register: *November 2021 Check Register*

7. ACTION ITEMS

a. 2021-22 First Interim Report: Mr. Cavanah presented the 2021-22 First Interim Report.

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

7.1a Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *absent*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich - *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

b. Approval of COVID-19 Testing Policy: Mr. Mays explained B.E.S.T. Academy's COVID-19 Testing Policy that was drafted with the help of legal counsel for Board

approval.

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

7.1b Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *absent*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich - *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

c. Educator Effectiveness Grant Plan: Mr. Crook proposed the Educator Effectiveness Grant Plan to the Board for approval.

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

7.1c Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *absent*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich - *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

d. School Plan for Student Achievement: Mr. Crook presented the School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA). The draft was presented to the Board in May/June and to submit to the county. A motion for approval would be for the final draft.

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

7.1d Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *absent*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

Chad Leptich - *aye*

Kristine Stanga - *aye*

e. Adjustment of Mileage and Per Diem to align to San Diego County approved rates: Mr. Mays discussed adjusting of Mileage and Per Diem to align to San Diego County approved rates.

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

7.1e Roll Call

Edward Singh - *aye*

Joseph Cipres - *absent*

Ognen Nastov - *aye*

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

f. Additional Board Meeting: June 22, 2021: Mr. Mays proposed an additional Board meeting for June 22, 2021.

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

7.1f Roll Call

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

8. BOARD COMMENTS:

Mr. Singh expressed his gratitude for the presentations by Mr. Cavanah with fiscal presentations and Mr. Crook for the SPSA presentation. Mr. Nastov and Mrs. Stanga echoed their appreciation to the presenters this meeting.

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.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

10.1a Roll Call

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

Upcoming BEST Academy Board Meetings:

- February 2, 2022
- March 2, 2022
- April 6, 2022
- May 4, 2022
- June 1, 2022

Meeting adjourned 6:56