



Classical Charter Schools of America, Inc. Board of Trustees

Minutes of the Board Meeting

1:30 PM; Thursday, June 29, 2023, Classical Charter Schools of America, Leland, NC

Attendance	<p>Trustees: Bob Spencer Chad Adams (phone) Ted Bodenschatz Colleen Combs Melissa Gott</p> <p>Others: Mark Dudeck, Treasurer, CCS of America, Inc. Baker Mitchell, President, RBA Jesse Smith, Director of Quality Control, RBA Kelly Darazsdi, Human Resources, RBA Aaron Streett (phone)</p>
Call to Order	Bob called the meeting to order at 1:31 pm with a quorum of 5 Trustees present.
Agenda Modification	Melissa asked to add the discussion of uniforms to "Old Business".
Approval of Minutes	Melissa moved with Ted's second to approve the minutes of the May 25 meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.
RBA Report	
2023-2024 Enrollments Reports	Mark went over the June 26 enrollment reports, Leland budget 975 with completed packets of 960, Whiteville budget 900 with completed packets of 863, budget 130 with completed packets of 132, Southport budget 650 with completed packets of 623.
Report of Student Absences and Tardies	Baker distributed a report showing each campus's absences and tardies.
Construction Update	Mark gave an update on construction at the Southport and Leland campuses.
SCOTUS Denial and DOJ Request	Baker explained the SCOTUS Denial and DOJ request for information.
CREDO Report	<p>Baker went over Stanford University's Center for Research in Educational Outcomes (CREDO) report and explained how well charter schools and especially the RBA managed schools performed.</p> <p>Take-ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comparing all charters to traditional schools, charters showed more learning growth on average.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comparing charters managed by companies like RBA showed 27 more days learning in a 180-day year for reading and 23 days more in math. • CREDO coined the term “gap-busters” to identify those management companies that had as much learning growth for disadvantaged students as for non-disadvantaged students. RBA was among a group of 42 companies that were the top gap-busters among 378 management companies. The average company managed 7 schools as does RBA – 4 elementary and 3 middle schools. • Entering students enrolling in charters were shown to be at lower placement levels than their traditional peers – demolishing the myth that charters score better because they cherry pick their students. • Th report studied 1.8 million charter students from 31 states for whom they had four year’s data.
Board Actions	
Parent Student Handbook Amendments	Melissa moved, seconded by Colleen, that all the items listed for board approval be approved together in one motion since all documents had been sent out to the board prior to the meeting for review.
Board Policy Handbook Amendments	Jesse explained the handbook amendments.
Election of Board and Officers	Mark gave the board the slate of board members and officers as follows: <u>Trustees:</u> Chad Adams, Ted Bodenschatz, Colleen Combs, Melissa Gott, Bob Spencer, and Suzanne West.
2023-2024 Board Meeting Schedule	<u>Officers:</u> Bob Spencer - Chairman, Chad Adams – Vice Chair, Mark Dudeck – Treasurer, Baker Mitchell – Secretary.
2023-2024 Budgets CCS-America (all schools)	Mark briefly went over the budgets. Mark went over the new 401K auditor information.
New 401K Auditor	The motion was unanimously approved.
Closed Session	Melissa moved, seconded by Ted, to move into closed session at 2:08 pm. The motion was unanimously approved. The board came out of closed session at 3:18pm after an update on the ACLU lawsuit.
Old Business	Melissa asked that we could reconsider some of the uniform policies such as color. It was decided that this would be discussed at the next meeting.
New Business	none
Ratification of Actions Taken	none
Adjournment	Meeting was suspended at 3:58pm