

Academy Mission Statement: Provide students an environment for new beginnings and positive educational experiences focused on career exploration and preparation.

BRIDGE ACADEMY OF SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN

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**BRIDGE ACADEMY OF SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN
Board Meeting Minutes**

Date:	March 21, 2022
Time:	2:00pm
Location:	Michigan Works!
	499 W. Main Street
	Benton Harbor, MI 49022

MEETING TYPE Regular Special

MINUTES TYPE Proposed Approved

I. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:02pm.

II. Roll Call

Board Member Attendance:

<u>Mike Hagerty</u>	President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<u>Patrick Bird</u>	Vice President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<u>Gwen Wood</u>	Secretary/Treasurer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<u>Kimberly Penny-Word</u>	Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
<u>Brian Maynard</u>	Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

Other Attendees in attendance:

Lily Brewer, Allie Knapp, Gill Korfmacher, Paula Polaskey, and Joe Thienes

III. Approval of Agenda *(if items are added, they should be included under other business)*

Motion	B. Maynard		
Support	G. Wood		
Vote	<i>Ayes</i>	<i>Nays</i>	<i>Abstentions</i>
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IV. Public Comment *(reserved for agenda items only)*

The board heard comments from ___ N/A ___ related to ___ N/A ___.

V. Approval of February 14, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

Action requested: Motion to approve/accept the February 14, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes as submitted.

A copy of the meeting minutes are available for public inspection at Bridge Academy of Southwest Michigan, 499 W. Main Street, Benton Harbor, MI 49022 within 8 business days for proposed minutes and within 5 business days of approval for approved minutes.

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VI. Board Update

- a. Al Pscholka, Vice President, Public Relations and Government Affairs, Kinexus Group - View from Lansing. Mr. Pscholka provided an overview of Governor Whitmer's proposed budget and Lansing's view of educational spending.
- b. Vaccine Update - Kinexus Group - A. Knapp reported that Kinexus Group does not have a COVID vaccine policy and does not plan to have one in the near future.

VII. Finance Report

- a. Financial Report – G. Korfmacher provided an overview of the Activity Summary ending January 31, 2022, the Statement of Financial position, Statement of Activities by Function and Objective Codes. Ms. Korfmacher noted that the BASWM Finance Committee will meet on April 12, 2022.
- b. Transparency Reporting Certification Form - G. Korfmacher reported that the Transparency Reporting Certification form must be signed every Fall and Spring. The BASWM website includes all the required information for transparency.
- c. Audit Firm Request for Proposal (RFP) - G. Korfmacher reported that the Audit Firm RFP will be released in the next month. Recommendation for approval for the audit firm will be presented at the July 2022 Board of Directors meeting.

VIII. School Leader Report(s)

- a. Building Progress – A. Knapp reported that progress on the building renovation is nearing the end. Ms. Knapp anticipates being in the new space by mid-April. The ribbon cutting will take place in August 2022.
- b. Contract Amendment - A. Knapp reported that Central Michigan University (CMU) requires every Board of Directors to review the contract for modifications. The Board had an in-depth discussion regarding the contract. At this time, no recommendations were made to amend the contract.
- c. Masking - A. Knapp reported that all mask mandates have been lifted in the surrounding school districts. Ms. Knapp proposed to lift the mask mandate for the BASWM. Discussion was held and the consensus was to end the mask mandate and shift to masks as an option for students and staff.

Action requested: Motion to approve/accept the removal of Mask mandate as submitted.

Motion	P. Bird		
Support	K. Penny-Word		
Vote	<i>Ayes</i>	<i>Nays</i>	<i>Abstentions</i>
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- d. Graduation Ceremony Planning - A. Knapp reported that the Graduation Ceremony will be held on June 14, 2022 in the evening at Jean Klock Beach Pavilion. Kimberley Penny-Word will be the liaison between the BASWM and the Board in the planning of the graduation ceremony.
- e. Happy Birthday BASWM! - A. Knapp announced that it has been one year since the BASWM inception. Ms. Knapp thanked the Board of Directors for their support and leadership.

IX. Discussion Items

- a. Board Goal Setting Plan - M. Hagerty proposed that the Board of Directors meet and define strategic goals and key performance indicators for the next three to five years. Discussion was held on resources to assist with the strategic planning.

X. Authorizer Update – CMU

J. Thienes thanked the BASWM staff and the Board of Directors on behalf of the CMU Board of Trustees for the hard work and dedication during the first year. Mr. Thienes commented that professional development ideas will be emailed to the Board and BASWM staff.

XI. Extended Public Comment *(limited to 3 minutes per person on any item/matter not listed on the agenda)*

XII. Other Business

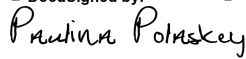
None.

XIII. Adjournment

The board adjourned at 2:59pm

Minutes Certification:

Proposed minutes respectfully submitted:

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 Board Secretary /Recording Secretary

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 Date

Approved by the Board of Directors on (DATE):

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 Board Secretary

4/20/2022

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