

Beacon Academy Charter District 4124
 Board Meeting Minutes, July 17, 2025, 5:30PM.
 3415 Louisiana Ave N, Crystal, MN 55427
Beacon Academy is authorized by Innovative Quality Schools
 P.O Box 580, Hutchinson, MN 55350

I. Call to Order: Matheu Weidenbach called the meeting to order to at 5:41 p.m.

Roll Call: present at time of meeting unless otherwise noted

Name	Role	Present	Absent
Matheu Weidenbach	Board Member - President	X	
Melanie Spall	Board Member – Vice President		X
Norah Antil	Board Member	X	
Patty Blake	Board Member	X	
Bob Forman	Board Member	x	
Matthew Goodman	Board Member		x
Rasheda Jenkins	Board Member		x
Stacey Ray	Board Member	X	
Mike Reeder	Ex-Officio	X	
Bridget Peterson	Ex-Officio		x
Kris Gapinski	Board Recorder	x	
Miscellaneous Attendees: Eldred Bach- Dean of Students			

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Choral Reading of Beacon Academy Vision Statement

IV. Seating of New Board Members

Notes:

- The board welcomed Bob Froman to the board.

V. Election of Officers

Motion:	To approve the election of officers as follows Board Chair: Matheu Weidenbach							
Made by:	Stacey Ray			Seconded by:				Bob Forman
Discussion:	N/A							
Vote:	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Member	Yea	Nay	abstain
	Rasheda Jenkins			x- absent	Matthew Goodman			x- absent
	Patty Blake	X			Melanie Spall			x-absent
	Bob Froman	X			Norah Antil	X		
	Stacey Ray	X						
	Matheu Weidenbach			x				
Decision:	Motion passed							

Notes:

- N/A

Motion:	To approve the election of officers as follows Vice President: Mel Spall							
Made by:	Stacey Ray			Seconded by:				Patty Blake
Discussion:	N/A							
Vote:	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Member	Yea	Nay	abstain
	Rasheda Jenkins			x- absent	Matthew Goodman			x- absent
	Patty Blake	X			Melanie Spall			x-absent
	Bob Forman	X			Norah Antil	X		
	Stacey Ray	X						

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	Matheu Weidenbach	X						
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Decision: Motion passed

Notes:
 • N/A

Motion: To approve the election of officers as follows
 Treasurer: Stacey Ray

Made by: Bob Forman **Seconded by:** Norah Antil

Discussion: N/A

Vote:	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Member	Yea	Nay	abstain
	Rasheda Jenkins			x- absent	Matthew Goodman			x- absent
	Patty Blake	X			Melanie Spall			x-absent
	Bob Forman	X			Norah Antil	X		
	Stacey Ray			x				
	Matheu Weidenbach	X						

Decision: Passed

Notes:
 • N/A

Motion: To approve the election of officers as follows
 Secretary: Patty Blake

Made by: Stacey Ray **Seconded by:** Bob Forman

Discussion:

Vote:	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Member	Yea	Nay	abstain
	Rasheda Jenkins			x- absent	Matthew Goodman			x- absent
	Patty Blake			x	Melanie Spall			x-absent
	Bob Forman	x			Norah Antil	X		
	Stacey Ray	X						
	Matheu Weidenbach	X						

Decision: Motion passed

Notes:
 • N/A

VI. Approve the Agenda

Motion: To approve the consent agenda with addition of Dennis Walsh's working agreement

Made by: Stacey Ray **Seconded by:** Patty Blake

Discussion:

Vote:	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Member	Yea	Nay	abstain
	Rasheda Jenkins			x- absent	Matthew Goodman			x- absent
	Patty Blake	X			Melanie Spall			x- absent
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Decision: Motion passed

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- N/A

VII. Working agreement

Motion: To approve Dennis Walsh's working agreement								
Made by: Stacey Ray				Seconded by: Patty Blake				
Discussion:								
Vote:	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Member	Yea	Nay	abstain
	Rasheda Jenkins			x- absent	Matthew Goodman			x- absent
	Patty Blake	X			Melanie Spall			x- absent
	Bob Forman	x			Norah Antil	X		
	Stacey Ray	X						
	Matheu Weidenbach	X						
Decision: Motion passed								
Notes:								
• N/A								

VIII. Public Comment: *In order to allow the Board to conduct the business of the school, members of the public are recognized only during this portion of the meeting. Anyone indicating a desire to speak during Public Comment will be acknowledged by the Board Chair. When called upon to speak, please state your name, connection to the school, and the topic you wish to address. All remarks should be addressed to the Board as a whole, not to any specific member(s) or to any person who is not a member of the Board. The Board Chair reserves the right to limit the time of Public Comment.*

Notes:
• No comments

IX. Declaration of Conflict of Interest: *Board members read the agenda and disclose if they have any real or perceived conflict of interest with any agenda items.*

Notes:
• None

X. Approval of Consent Agenda: *Consent Agenda items are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a board member or meeting attendee so requests, in which event the item will be removed as a Consent Agenda item and addressed.*

- a. Approval of Minutes
 - i. Regular Board Meeting- 2025.6.12
- b. INDIGO Education- Special Education Director Services
- c. Pediatric Psych Services – School Psychologist Services
- d. EdFinMN – Financial Services
- e. Personnel Consent Agenda

Motion: To approve the consent agenda								
Made by: Stacey Ray				Seconded by: Bob Forman				
Discussion:								
Vote:	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Member	Yea	Nay	abstain
	Rasheda Jenkins			x- absent	Matthew Goodman			x- absent
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	Stacey Ray	X						
	Matheu Weidenbach	X						

Decision: Motion passed

Notes:

- N/A

XI. Board Reports

a. Finance Committee

i. Enrollment report (informational)

Notes:

- Currently at 530
- Surveys have been sent out to see who is returning
- Staffed efficiently and effectively with enrollment
- Late July to mid-August push for many families
- About 30 students more currently than this time last year
- Kindergarten and upper elementary is more of a push to fill those grade levels
- Enrollment numbers to where Beacon can be healthy and successful

ii. Review/Approve June Financial Report

Motion: To approve the June financial report

Made by: Patty Blake **Seconded by:** Bob Forman

Discussion:

Vote:	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Member	Yea	Nay	abstain
	Rasheda Jenkins			x- absent	Matthew Goodman			x- absent
	Patty Blake	X			Melanie Spall			x-absent
	Bob Forman	X			Norah Antil	X		
	Stacey Ray	X						
	Matheu Weidenbach	X						

Decision: Motion passed

Notes:

- Preliminary report
- Estimated cash balance as of June 30, 2025 \$1,841,517
- Days cash on hand projected as of June 30, 2025- 80 days (required 60)
- Projected debt service coverage ratio at June 30, 2025- 1.19 (required 1.10)

iii. June 2025 Supplemental Report – Check Register

Notes:

- Digital Fruit
- Responsive Classroom

b. Principal, Mike Reeder

i. Authorizer update (informational)

Notes:

- Submitted all the end of year items for the yearly scorecard
- Eldred Bach, Elizabeth Brobeck, and Mike Reeder went to an IQS scorecard meeting/course to help with achieving more on the scorecard- very helpful
- Contract is up at the end of 25-26

ii. Staffing Update (informational)

Notes:

- CJ McGowan-Counselor
- Rachel McPherson-Occupational Therapist
- Sophia Maccario- Kindergarten Teacher
- Cassandra Hallsten- MS English Teacher

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- Dennis Walsh- SPED
- Lisa Mallard- EL
- Barb Northernscord- Cafeteria Lead
- Emily Ellis- 1st grade
- Interview Monday for 5th grade
- 3 new paras coming
- Trying to fill- middle school math, 5th grade, and health office aid

iii. Dean of Students Behavior Report (informational)- Eldred Bach

Notes:

- 66 MS students had behavior referrals and 26 of those students had only 1 referral
- Of Beacon's 210 MS students, 170 did not have more than 1 referral
- 32 elementary students had behavior referrals and 15 of those students had only 1 referral
- Of Beacon's 313 elementary students, 296 did not have more than 1 referral
- Trending from the previous year, less students at mid-year and end of the year had referrals

c. Employee Retention Compensation Committee

Notes:

- . none

d. Marketing Committee

i. Upcoming volunteer opportunities

Notes:

- New apparel
- New events- Crystal Frolics July 26, Night to Unite August 5, Perspective families July 22
- More inquiries for before and after school coming in
- How do families like the new website?

e. Curriculum Development

Notes:

- none

f. Governance Committee

Notes:

- none

g. Executive Committee

i. Review/Approve 2025-2026 Board Meeting Schedule

Motion:

To approve the board meeting schedule with the following updates:

Board Retreat and Strategic Planning

Thursday, September 25th at 5PM

Special Meeting for Strategic Planning

Thursday, December 4th

Thursday, February 12th

Regular Meetings (all start at 5:30 pm in the cafeteria):

Thursday, July 17th

Thursday, August 21st

Thursday, September 18th

Thursday, October 9th – moved for MEA

Thursday, November 20th

Thursday, December 18th

Thursday, January 15th

Thursday, February 26th - moved for conferences

Thursday, March 19th

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Thursday, April 16th Thursday, May 21st Thursday, June 11th – moved for end of school Annual Reorganization Meeting for 2026-2027 Thursday, July 16th 2026								
Motion: To approve the 25-26 board meeting dates								
Made by: Patty Blake			Seconded by: Bob Forman					
Discussion:								
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	Rasheda Jenkins			x-absent	Matthew Goodman			x- absent
	Patty Blake	X			Melanie Spall			x-absent
	Bob Forman	X			Norah Antil	X		
	Stacey Ray	X						
	Matheu Weidenbach	X						
Decision: MotionPassed								
Notes:								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 								

ii. Committee Sign-Up (informational)

Notes:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign up passed around

iii. Board Training (informational)

Notes:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everyone is done with training • During board retreat the board will look at the scorecard and decide what training the board will be doing

h. Action items

Notes:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none

XII. Adjournment

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 7:46 pm forwarded by Stacey Ray seconded by Patty Blake. Approved unanimously.
 Meeting adjourned

Motion: To adjourn meeting								
Made by: Stacey Ray			Seconded by: Patty Blake					
Discussion:								
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Motion
Passed

Notes:

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Next Regular Meeting: August 21, 2025 at 5:30 pm

Approved on
, Secretary
Beacon Academy School Board