

CALL TO ORDER David Goeske called the meeting to order to at 6:33 p.m.

1.ROLL CALL present at time of meeting unless otherwise noted	Present	Absent
Board Member		
David Goeske (President)	✓	
Melanie Spall (Vice President)	✓	
Jacque Lee (Treasurer)	✓	
Heidi Sheard (Secretary)	✓	
Todd Alle	✓	
Matt Goodman		✓
Meg Herlofsky		✓
Brandon Huberty	✓	
Jennifer Hodge	✓	
Rob Kalinsky		✓
Keith Johnson(ex-officio)	✓	
Sean Koster(ex-officio)	✓	
Kris Achter (ex-officio)	✓	

MISC. ATTENDEES: MELISSA HANSEN, RUSS HOYT, KRIS GAPINSKI, NORMA NISTLER, PAUL DONOVAN, GERHARDT GLIEGE, MIKE REED, CONNIE WILDER, ELDRED BACH

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(Choral reading of the Pledge of Allegiance)

3. BEACON MISSION STATEMENT

(Choral reading of the Beacon Academy Mission Statement)

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion:	To approve the agenda: with the addition of a statement read by the school board chair and an addition to the school spotlight							
Made by:	*Melanie Spall			Seconded by:	*Jen Hodge			
Discussion:								
Vote:	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain
	David Goeske	x			Todd Alle	x		
	Melanie Spall	x			Meg Herlofsky			x-absent
	Heidi Sheard	x			Jennifer Hodge	x		
	Brandon Huberty	x			Rob Kalinsky			x-absent
	Matt Goodman			x-absent	Jacque Lee	x		
Decision:	Passes							

5. School Spotlight-Middle School Best Prep Stock Market Team with Mr. Goodman -Mr. Koster went with Mr. Goodman and two students, downtown for the stock market game reception. Our school earned 3rd place in the state of MN for grade levels 7-9.

-Jen Hodge: 1st grade students' work together to put together a book. The book gets published and parents have the opportunity to order it. The students work on it for two months and are very proud of their work.

6. David read a statement regarding an email and text message that has been circulating around the school community. The email and text message spoke of concerns in our building process. David answered the concerns in the email/text in his statement. David also responded to the person/people that sent the email. Unfortunately, because the email was from an anonymous source it is not known if the data was received.

7. Open Floor Comments from Attendees

-none

8. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion:	To approve the consent agenda:							
Made by:	* Melanie Spall			Seconded by:	*Jacque			
Discussion:								
Vote:	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain
	David Goeske	x			Todd Alle	x		
	Melanie Spall	x			Meg Herlofsky			x-absent
	Heidi Sheard	x			Jennifer Hodge	x		
	Brandon Huberty	x			Rob Kalinsky			x-absent
	Matt Goodman			x-absent	Jacque Lee	x		
Decision:	Passes							
	A. Approval of Minutes: 1. Regular Board Meeting – April 21, 2016							
	B. Policy First Reading : 1. 745 Health Insurance Policy C. Policy Second Reading/Approval: 1. 410 Family and Medical Leave Act (FLMA) 2. 534 Enrollment Policy							
	D. Approval of Agreements 1. Clifton Larson Allen Audit 2. Special Education Director – Indigo 3. Speech Services – by Word of Mouth 4. DAPE Services – Moving Matters 5. Membership to Minnesota Association of Charter Schools (MACS)							

9. Board Reports

A. Treasurer's Report –Jacque Lee/Keith Johnson

1. Review/Approval of Financial Report

- Income statement change: exploration expenses; reduced by \$305,000; amount that will be reimbursed by bonding. Also an expense for \$110,000 that we will incur for exploration in Corcoran
- Increase in state education aid
- changes in compensation highlighted
- increase in marketing budget for next year

- technology increase as well
- transportation budget is up as well from last year.
- current enrollment is 81 on wait list. 408 enrolled. There are 37 kids on waitlist for next this year.
- David mentioned there are things that will affect our bottom line as we prepare for a move.

Motion:	To approve the financial report							
Made by:	*Heidi Sheard				Seconded by:	*Todd Alle		
Discussion:								
Vote:	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain
	David Goeske	x			Todd Alle	x		
	Melanie Spall	x			Meg Herlofsky			x-absent
	Heidi Sheard	x			Jennifer Hodge	x		
	Brandon Huberty	x			Rob Kalinsky			x-absent
	Matt Goodman			x-absent	Jacque Lee	x		
Decision:	Passes							

B. Assistant Principal - Kris Achter: we have a current family that has a child that misses the enrollment date submission by 12 days. She has had an assessment by our kindergarten teachers and the kindergarten teachers agree that she should be allowed early enrollment. Kris is looking for approval from the board to allow this early entrance.

Motion:	To approve the early entrance of a kindergarten student for the 2016-2017 school year:							
Made by:	*Heidi Sheard				Seconded by:	*Jen Hodge		
Discussion:								
Vote:	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain
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	Melanie Spall	x			Meg Herlofsky			x-absent
	Heidi Sheard	x			Jennifer Hodge	x		
	Brandon Huberty	x			Rob Kalinsky			x-absent
	Matt Goodman			x-absent	Jacque Lee	x		
Decision:	Passes							

C. Principal Report – Sean Koster

1. Enrollment Report

-since 2009 we have been steady at 409-412. Our retention rate over the last few years has fallen. Last year our retention rate increased to 95%.

2. Marketing Update

- We are opening up our Facebook page in the coming weeks. We will be harvesting posts from Twitter and putting them on Facebook.
- Sean thanked the marketing committee for their hard work.
- We will start our targeted marketing plan for Crystal over the summer. We have a little over 100 students that come to us from that district.

3. Review/Approve Staff Working Agreements

Motion:	To approve the working agreements for Hume, Kuglin, Barker, Schultz, Nelson							
Made by:	*Melanie Spall				Seconded by:	*Jen Hodge		
Discussion:								

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	Heidi Sheard	x			Jennifer Hodge	x		
	Brandon Huberty	x			Rob Kalinsky			x-absent
	Matt Goodman			x-absent	Jacque Lee	x		
Decision:	Passes							

4. Review/Approve Bus Contract 2016-2017

-We are excited to be able to have standalone bussing for next year. Lake Country will be providing our bussing. Three bids were taken and we chose Lake Country. Our name and logo will be on the belt line of the bus. Dispatch will be in our office. We will have 5 busses rolling again next year. We are entering into a 3 year agreement with Lake Country.

-David suggested that we have a preliminary plan for transportation for our families next November to ease concerns about transportation to crystal.

-Lake Country is confident that they can hire qualified bus drivers.

Motion:	To approve a three year contract with Lake Country Industries LLC for student transportation to start in the 2016-2017 school year.							
Made by:	*Heidi Sheard				Seconded by:	*Jacque Lee		
Discussion:								
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	Heidi Sheard	x			Jennifer Hodge	x		
	Brandon Huberty	x			Rob Kalinsky			x-absent
	Matt Goodman			x-absent	Jacque Lee	x		
Decision:	Passes							

5. Projected Student Count Enrollment

-As we are doing modeling for the next two years we have to be aware of where people are putting applications in and how we are marketing.

-The table shows how we will increase our numbers as we expand in Crystal

-The projections are at a 95% enrollment

6. Review DDI/Testing/Initiative

-7 years ago Sean came to the board and asked to implement DDI. He is not sure the interim testing environment is working. To date we have spent over \$80,000 over 7 years. Our own staff came in over the summer and completed the test writing.

-When we got our new reading curriculum we had to have teachers come in and re-write the tests. We will have to do that again when we get the new math curriculum. We are at a point where our test scores are still 5-6 percent above state standards and we are not seeing the return for the effort.

-Sean gave the staff the opportunity to stop doing DDI. His recommendation was to go back to NWEA; one week of testing. He would like the boards blessing.

-IQS would have to be contacted to make sure that NWEA is put back into our contract. They just approved a 5 year contract with Beacon Academy.

-Jen Hodge stated that DDI is stressful on the students and the teachers. A week before the tests she is teaching test taking skills.

-It was unanimous by the staff to move away from DDI to NWEA

- David said the board is in full support of the move.
- NWEA would be administered after MCA tests.
- The school calendar will be brought back to the board next month to remove the testing dates.

D. Board Chair, Executive Committee – David Goeske

1. Discuss/Approve New Dean Position

- this item will be tabled until sometime in the future

2. Discuss/Review Sean Koster’s 2015-2016 Goals

- The executive committee meets with the principal at the beginning of the year to set the goals for the principal. Several meetings take place to see how things are going and see if the goals need to be reset. A final evaluation happens at the end of the year. A recommendation is then brought to the board for a renewal for next year. The goals are in the board packet. Sean had a shining moment in the midst of the bus crisis. Marketing the building project has been another strong point. The executive committee recommends extending a working agreement to Sean for next year. A working agreement will be brought to the next board meeting. Members of the Executive Committee are David Goeske, Melanie Spall, Heidi Sheard and Jacque Lee.

3. Discuss/Approve Stipend for Sean Koster for 2016-2017 Budget Year

-Sean has invested and will continue to invest a significant amount of time going forward in the building project. Sean has done a phenomenal job and the Executive Committee is recommending a \$10,000 stipend for the next school year.

Motion:	To approve a stipend of \$10,000 for Sean Koster to be paid out in the 2016-2017 school year. It is not to exceed \$11,500 with benefits							
Made by:	*David Goeske				Seconded by: *Heidi Sheard			
Discussion:								
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	Heidi Sheard	x			Jennifer Hodge	x		
	Brandon Huberty	x			Rob Kalinsky			x-absent
	Matt Goodman			x-absent	Jacque Lee	x		
Decision:	Passes							

4. Discuss Appointment of Upcoming Teacher Board Position

-Meg Herlofsky has offered her resignation for later this summer. We will work to replace her seat later in the summer.

A 5 minute recess was called at 7:51pm
 Jacque Lee left at 7:54pm
 Meeting was called to order at 7:57pm

10. Standing Committees

E. Curriculum Committee – Matthew Goodman

1. Discuss/Approve New Math Curriculum – Math Expressions and Big Ideas

-Jen is presenting in Matt's place. The curriculum has been presented and has received positive feedback. We are asking the board to approve the purchase.

Motion:	To approve the purchase and implementation of the Big Ideas Math and Math Expressions curriculum as presented at the April 2016 board meeting and included in the May 2016 school board packet \$42, 026.21. Not to exceed \$45,000							
Made by:	*David Goeske				Seconded by:	*Brandon Huberty		
Discussion:								
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	Melanie Spall	x			Meg Herlofsky			x-absent
	Heidi Sheard	x			Jennifer Hodge	x		
	Brandon Huberty	x			Rob Kalinsky			x-absent
	Matt Goodman			x-absent	Jacque Lee			x-absent
Decision: Passes								

F. Governance Committee, Heidi Sheard

1. Ratify School Election Results

- One teacher position seat to be held by Eldred Bach
- Two parent position seats to be held by David Goeske and Nicholas Meyer
- One community member position seat to be held by Mike Reed

Motion:	To approve and ratify the school board elections for 2016:							
Made by:	*Heidi Sheard				Seconded by:	*Jen Hodge		
Discussion:								
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	Melanie Spall	x			Meg Herlofsky			x-absent
	Heidi Sheard	x			Jennifer Hodge	x		
	Brandon Huberty	x			Rob Kalinsky			x-absent
	Matt Goodman			x-absent	Jacque Lee			x-absent
Decision: Passes								

G. Facility Planning Committee – Rob Kalinsky

Ann Marie Roder is presenting in Rob's absence

1. Elect New Friends of Beacon Directors

Motion:	To appoint the following individuals as directors of Friends of Beacon; Ann Marie Roder, Tom Kline, Paige Roth and Kristin Gapinski (if not a newly elected board member)							
Made by:	*David Goeske				Seconded by:	*Melanie Spall		
Discussion:								
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	Melanie Spall	x			Meg Herlofsky			x-absent
	Heidi Sheard	x			Jennifer Hodge	x		
	Brandon Huberty	x			Rob Kalinsky			x-absent
	Matt Goodman			x-absent	Jacque Lee			x-absent
Decision: Passes								

2. Review/Approve Rivera Contract

- This contract needs to be approved to reflect our project in Crystal.

-David asked that we ask for and receive a termination agreement from Deb for the Corcoran project.

Motion:	To approve the execution of the Rivera Architectural contract as presented in the board packet							
Made by:	*Jen Hodge			Seconded by:			*Heidi Sheard	
Discussion:								
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	Melanie Spall	x			Meg Herlofsky			x-absent
	Heidi Sheard	x			Jennifer Hodge	x		
	Brandon Huberty	x			Rob Kalinsky	x		
	Matt Goodman			x-absent	Jacque Lee			x-absent
Decision: Passes								

3. Review Aspects of the Crystal Site-documents handed out by CWN

a. Cash Flow

b. Budget-\$300.000 of FF&E will go to bonding now. We will need to have a special meeting the week of June 1 to approve the GMP from RJM.

c. Schedule-construction may start in July

d. Fit Plan-a few minor changes. FPC has been on site several times to view the site and Cornerstone has been gracious in letting them in.

4. Update on the Status of FF&E and Value Engineering for Crystal Site

-Now that the fit plan is near completion Facility Planning will start working on these areas

5. Update on the Status of the Conditional Use Permit for Crystal Site

-The Crystal City Council unanimously approved the conditional use permit at their May 17th meeting. They are excited for Beacon to join their community.

6. Update on the Status of Bonding for the Crystal Site

-Sean and Ann Marie have been providing all the documentation needed for the bonding presentation. The documents are near completion for the presentation. We are on track to go to bonding the end of June or early July.

Beacon Academy School Board Goals the 2015-2016 School Year:

1. Student academic excellence
2. Teacher and administration excellence
3. Remove barriers to expansion

Board Workshop- None

Old Business- None

Action Items-

NEXT MEETING IS June 16, 2016 @ 6:30 p.m.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 8:47pm forwarded by Melanie Spall , seconded by Todd Alle; approved unanimously.
 Meeting adjourned at 8:47p.m.

Approved on _____

Heidi Sheard, Secretary
Beacon Academy School Board