

**MINUTES**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
BULLIS CHARTER SCHOOL**

**102 West Portola Avenue, Los Altos, Ca 94022**

**December 15, 2014  
7:00 pm**

**Regular Meeting**

**I. PRELIMINARY**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by John Phelps, Board Chair, at 7:08 pm.

**B. ROLL CALL**

	Present	Absent
Jennifer Carolan (6/30/16)	_____	_x____
Tom Dennedy (6/30/17)	_x____	_____
Peter Evans (6/30/15)	_x____	_____
Andrea Eyring (6/30/16)	_x____	_____
Francis La Poll (6/30/15)	_x____	_____
John Phelps (6/30/15)	_x____	_____
Sang Yoo (6/30/16)	_x____	_____

**C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Agenda items III. 1 & 2 Approval of the Minutes from the November 3, 2014 Board meeting and the November 17, 2014 Special Board meeting respectively were pulled. Agenda item III. 8. was moved to the end of the Agenda to be addressed after item VI.

Francis La Poll moved to approve the agenda as amended. With a second from Tom Dennedy, the motion passed by a 6-0 vote.

**II. COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

No one wished to address the board.

**B. For Information: Principal/Administrator's Report**

Jocelyn Lee, Principal, shared the following:

- Treble Voices, the grades 1-3 choir under the direction of Laura Beese, sang at the Los Altos Tree lighting event.
- The primary grades' play, "Folktales For Fun", had two performances. Ms. Lee reported that they were very funny and could certainly act!
- The Winter Choir Concert was hold at a beautiful venue where there were enough seats for everyone. All five choirs, conducted by David Belles and Laura Besse, put on a spectacular performance.
- On Friday, the school will hold its annual Holiday Sing-a-long. The BCS sing-a-long will be held in the MPR at 9:00 am; the BCI sing-a-long will take place in the Blach MPR at 3:00 pm.

Alison Schwartzbaum, Assistant Principal, shared the following:

- The Parent Education series started this year with a speaker on the topic of overcoming anxiety and building resiliency in children utilizing cognitive and narrative models and tools. The 120 parents and audience members really enjoyed this relevant.

Wanny Hersey, Superintendent/Principal, shared the following:

- The middle school Code-a-thon, sponsored by Microsoft, was highly successful. The over 70 sixth to eighth grade students who participated were engaged and enjoyed all the sessions as well as the special tools and equipment they were able to explore with that day. Special thanks to Matt Thompson and his team for such a special experience for all the students.
- There will be two Winter Choir concerts this week highlighting the skills and concepts the students have learned in their general music program so far this year; grades 2, 4 and 5 will perform on Tuesday, 12/16; grades K, 1 and 3 will perform on Wednesday, 12/17.

C. For Information: Board/Staff Discussions

Peter Evans reported that he attended the Code-a-thon serving as a guest judge for the 21 presentations of coding at the end of the day. He expressed his disappointment that BCS did not have a presence at the LAH Barn Lighting event this year.

Andrea Eyring reported that she attended the Code-a-thon and was impressed with the range of activities from high-level apps to low-level engineering that was offered that day. Her 8<sup>th</sup> grade son had a great time. Ms. Eyring shared that she participated in the December quarterly meeting with the Los Altos School District and also met with the district's architect regarding facilities for the next year.

Sang Yoo reported that she attended the SCCOE Board meeting when the new board members were being sworn in. At that meeting, there was a public hearing for the Moreland Mandarin Immersion charter school and noted that there was a concerted effort to bus in opponents to that petition.

John Phelps shared that the two new LASD Board members will be taking a tour of BCS this week.

**III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

The Superintendent/Principal recommends approval of all consent agenda items.

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| <b>1. Minutes</b>        | Approval of Minutes from the November 3, 2014 Board meeting.  |
| <b>2. Minutes</b>        | Approval of Minutes from the November 17, 2014 Special Board meeting.                                   |
| <b>3. Minutes</b>        | Approval of Minutes from the December 1, 2014 Board meeting.  |
| <b>4. Check Register</b> | Approval of the August 2014 Check Register.   |
| <b>5. Check Register</b> | Approval of the September 2014 Check Register.  |
| <b>6. Check Register</b> | Approval of the October 2014 Check Register.  |
| <b>7. Check Register</b> | Approval of the November 2014 Check Register.   |
| <b>8. Audit Report</b>   | Approval of the Independent Auditors' Report and Financial Statements For The Year Ended June 30, 2014. |

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Francis La Poll moved to approve consent agenda items III. 3 – 7 inclusive. With a second from Tom Dennedy, the motion passed by a 6-0 vote.

**IV. INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS**

**1. Staff Recognition – National Board Certification**

David Belles, BCS Choir Director and Music Specialist, and Sarah Lau, BCS Math Teacher, were honored by the BCS Board of Directors for becoming National Board certified. Both teachers shared that the process for certification was made more attainable due to the alignment of the certification process and the BCS performance-based compensation Continuum, the culture of professional growth at the school, and the collaborative support of their peers, especially those who are also national board certified.

**2. LASD Facilities Master Planning Committee**

Member, Sang Yoo, updated the Board on the meetings and shared the LASD-determined frameworks and criteria committee members were asked to consider.

**3. Ad Hoc Committees**

Superintendent/Principal Hersey shared that the Finance Committee, the only board-appointed committee, has started meeting this year with board-approved membership. Superintendent/Principal Hersey is in the process of forming school-wide working teams; updates regarding their progress will be provided throughout the year.

**4. Outgoing Board Members' Recognition Event**

Board members discussed moving this event to February or March depending on the availability of the attendees.

**V. CLOSED SESSION**

The Board will hold a Closed Session to consider and/or take action upon any of the following items:

**1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (Gov. Code §54956.9(d)(2) and (4).)**

**2. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Gov. Code § 54957) - Superintendent/Principal**

**VI. PUBLIC SESSION – REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

The meeting was reconvened to open session at 10:42 pm. John Phelps, Board Chair, reported that no action had been taken.

**VII. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

The Superintendent/Principal recommends approval of all consent agenda items.

**8. Audit Report** Approval of the Independent Auditors' Report and Financial Statements For The Year Ended June 30, 2014.

Francis La Poll moved to approve Consent Agenda Item VII. 8. With a second from Andrea Eyring, the motion passed by a vote of 6-0.

**VIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

No future items were discussed.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at by John Phelps, Board Chair, at 10:45 pm.