



**WEST BUFFALO CHARTER SCHOOL  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
OCTOBER 23, 2017  
2:30 PM  
113 LAFAYETTE AVENUE, BUFFALO, NEW YORK  
MONTHLY MEETING**

**Board Members**

**Present:** Michelle Stevens, James Sampson, James Deuschle, Richard Baer, Amy Friedman

**Excused:** Lee Pearce, Lynn Shea

**Also Present:** Andrea Todoro, Elizabeth Sterns, Robert Gamble

**Quorum Present:** Yes

**Call to Order**

Mrs. Stevens called the meeting to order at 2:35 PM. Quorum present.

**Proof of Public Notice of Meeting**

Media and public announcement was sent on Monday, October 16th, 2017 to print, radio, and TV outlets announcing this open meeting. A posting was also sent to Erie County Hall, Buffalo City Hall and Buffalo City Court. In addition, it was publicly displayed at 50 East North Street and posted on the WBCS website. The Board of Trustees was duly notified of this meeting well within the timeline of our bylaws.

**Monthly Meeting**

**Review of the September 25th, 2017 Meeting Minutes**

The minutes of the September 25th, 2017 Board of Trustees meeting were presented for approval.

**Upon motion duly made by Mr. Deuschle and seconded by Mr. Sampson, the minutes of the September 25th, 2017 Board meeting were approved as presented. All in favor. Non-opposed.**

### **Expansion and Construction**

- Mrs. Sterns presented the Construction and Finance Committee report.

### **Financial Report**

Mrs. Sterns presented the financial reports for the period ending September 30th, 2017 (a copy is attached hereto and made a part hereof).

**Upon motion duly made by Mr. Sampson and seconded by Mr. Deuschle, the September 30th, 2017 financials were approved as presented. All in favor. Non-opposed.**

**Upon motion duly made by Mr. Sampson and seconded by Mr. Deuschle, the contract with Energy Mark was approved as presented. All in favor. Non-opposed.**

### **School Leader Report**

- Discussion regarding Special Education-related issues.
- A BoT member will assist in getting specific information from BPS regarding CSE standards and report back to the board at the November meeting.

**Upon motion duly made by Mr. Sampson and seconded by Mrs. Friedman, the 6th grade Teacher and Teaching Assistant. All in favor. Non-opposed.**

- Mrs. Todoro presented the Fountas & Pinnell and Fast Bridge assessment data. The Academic Committee to drill down and report back to the board.
- Cross-grade level meetings will begin within the next week or two.
- Academic Committee to review Canisius College Residency Program and then meet with Mrs. Todoro and Mrs. Sterns.
- In accordance with the Open Meeting Law to select Dr. Robert Gamble, as a final candidate, pending SED approval, the following motion was presented to the BoT.

**Upon motion duly made by Mrs. Friedman and seconded by Mr. Deuschle, the West Buffalo Charter School voted to select Dr. Robert Gamble as the final candidate to the BoT, with a term expiring on or after 3 years of service, pending approval by SED. The resolution approving Dr. Robert Gamble is formally adopted upon SED's approval. All in favor. Non-opposed.**

### **Committees**

- Mrs. Friedman presented the Governance Committee meeting report.
- Discussion regarding whether committee meetings need to be publicly displayed on the WBCS website.
- A Governance Committee meeting will take place on November 9th at Mrs. Stevens' home.

### **Adjournment**

Being that there is no further business to discuss, a motion to dismiss was made by Mr. Baer and seconded by Mr. Deuschle. The meeting was adjourned at 4:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Leslie Bunis Ohl

**The next WBCS BoT meeting will take place on Monday, November 27th, 2017 at 2:30 PM at West Buffalo Charter School.**