

BlueSky Charter School  
2051 Killebrew Drive, Suite 500  
Bloomington, MN 55425  
Regular Board Meeting  
Wednesday, July 31, 2024  
2:00 pm

*BlueSky School Board commits to Student Centered Decision making and improving the culture of the district by focusing on the following goals; finance, strategic planning, internal Board operations, and district planning.*

**BlueSky Vision:** *BlueSky is defining education for the 21st century by creating an individualized, dynamic education for all students. We are committed to empowering our community by facilitating relevant learning, skills, hopes and relationships.*

**BlueSky Mission:** *Bringing quality online education and diverse learners together.*

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**1. Call to Order**

Called to order at 2:03 pm

**2. Roll Call**

Allen Charles, *Seat A: Community Member 2023-2025 - Present - Joined late*

Matthew Schempp, *Seat B: Vice Chair, Teacher Member 2023-2025 - Present*

Kelsey Waits, *Seat C: Required Parent Member 2024-2026 - Present*

Heidi Kelbel, *Seat D: Teacher Member 2024-2026 - Present*

Judy Pekarek, *Treasurer, Seat E: Community member 2023-2025 - Absent*

Julie Johnson, *Secretary, Seat F: Required Teacher member 2024-2026 - Present*

Jim Stocco, *Chair Seat G: Required Community Member 2024-2026 - Absent*

**3. Notice of Any Conflict of Interest**

None

**4. Approval of Agenda**

**Consent item 8.2 removed**

Waits/Kelbel motion to approve

4-0 motion passes

**5. Approval of Previous Board Minutes**

5.1 Action - Approve [board meeting minutes, June 26, 2024](#)

Johnson/Kelbel motion to approve

4-0 motion passes

## 6. [Filing of Finance Claims](#) - EdFin, Scott Brown

Allen Charles joined the meeting at 2:22 PM

The statement is unaudited and may change after all expenses have been paid for FY24. 596 ADM is what MDE is reporting currently. This will be updated after the next required MARSS submission which was last week. We are 100% through fiscal year 2024. 103% of our revenue has been received which is higher because we ended the year with more enrollments than budgeted. 99% of our expenses have been paid.

Kelbel/Waits motion to approve

5-0 motion passes

## 7. Reports

7.1 Information- [Finance Committee](#) – Pekarek - Judy was absent from meeting - nothing to report

7.2 Information- Curriculum Committee – Schempp - None

7.3 Information- [HR Committee](#) – Egner - Have 2 new hires (will be reviewing below under consent items)

7.4 Information- Director's Report – Larsen Budgeted at 580 ADM. Learning about student drops from the summer looking at about 100 or so more enrollments. It might take until October or November until we reach our enrollment cap. Have started Spotify ads targeted to middle school to see how that goes. Have updated the website, Janette W has been attending field trips and interviewing parents/students to get more content for the website. We get library aid annually of \$20,000, we use it for our Sora library and are using it for our maker's space. Hoping to get that space set up this fall. We still, get e-rates funds and use that for internet service and we will get reimbursed for hotspots we send to students.

7.5 Information- [Student Activity/Updates](#) – Miner - Summer field trips have been pretty successful as far as student participation. The last trip coming up on August 7th to Valleyfair. Have started planning for the FY25 school year in regards to student clubs & student activities already. Will be sending out a newsletter to parents/students in mid-August with back-to-school information as well as information regarding student clubs and more information regarding student activities for new students and students/parents that might be unaware of all the activities that BlueSky has to offer. Hoping to revamp the student clubs program just a little bit for the FY25 school year in hopes of gaining and keeping student participation as well as preventing burnout for both students & facilitators.

7.6 Information- Assessment Updates/ [IQS Goal Progress](#) - Ondich - None

7.7 Information - [Student Services Report](#) - Parker/Kasowicz - Advisors are fully staffed with the same team. Cathy wants to review with counselors when they are working over the summer to complete summer enrollments and what that process is like. Also wants to take a look at the summer school enrollment process. TSES & Restrictive Procedure Manual no major updates from last year. Special Ed dept fully staffed to start the school year.

Johnson/Waits motion to approve

5-0 motion passes

## 8. Consent Items

8.1 Action - Approve hire of 1.0 Special Education Teacher - [Pam Bagley](#)

8.2 Action - ~~Approve hire of Long Term Sub Special Education Teacher~~ **Item removed**

8.3 Action - Approve hire of 0.5 English Teacher - [Rylee Martin](#)

8.4 Action - Approve [TSES Manual](#) updates

8.5 Action - Approve/review [Restrictive Procedures Plan](#)

Johnson/Kelbel motion to approve

5-0 motion passes

**9. Unfinished Business**

9.1 Action -

**10. New Business**

10.1 Action - Approve [Policy 7.2.3 Procurement](#)

Waits/Kelbel motion to approve

5-0 motion passes

10.2 Action - Approve board meeting dates and times for [school year 24-25](#)

Johnson/Kelbel motion to approve

5-0 motion passes

10.3 Action - Approve [24-25 Staff Handbook](#)

Waits/Johnson motion to approve

5-0 motion passes

**11. Public Input**

**12. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 3:10 PM

Kelbel/Waits motion to approve

5-0 motion passes

**Future Meetings/Events Below:**

August 28, 2024

**Other:** Next Board Election: May 2025

**Alternate Meeting Locations:**

In addition to 2051 Killebrew Drive, Suite 500, Board members may be joining virtually from the following locations:

N/A