

Burns Sci-Tech Charter School

Regular Board Meeting Minutes September 23, 2025 - 6:00pm STEM Literacy Lab – Main Office Building

- 1. Call meeting to order. The meeting was called to order at 6pm.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Roll Call: Dr. Roger Thayer, Richard Paczkowski, Adam Owens, Damian Hall, Suzanne Jarrell. Jamie Sulle attended via speaker phone. All present
- 4. Approval of August 19th, 2025, Regular Board Meeting and Workshop Minutes—action. *Motion to approve the August 19th, 2025, Regular Board Meeting and Workshop Minutes by Mr. Paczkowski. 2nd by Mr. Owens. Motion unanimously approved.*
- 5. Public Participation. none
- 6. Reports and Discussion/Actions:
 - a. 6:10 PM Agenda changes- discussion/action. No Action.
 - b. 6:12 PM Articulation Agreement update discussion/action.

The board discussed the pro and cons of the articulation agreement and giving 90 days' notice. Mr. Paczkowski withdrew his motion to table the agreement. *Motion by Mrs. Jarrell to vote on the articulation agreement as written and presented with a one-year probationary period.* 2nd by Mr. Hall. *Motion approved unanimously.*

c. 6:17 PM Proposal from Ms. Robinson- discussion/action

Motion by Mr. Paczkowski for BST to enter into the advice letter/agreement with Mrs. Robinson without making changes to our current legal counsel (Shawn Arnold). 2nd by Mr. Hall. Nay: Jamie Sulle, Adam Owens.

Yes: Damian Hall, Richard Paczkowski, Suzanne Jarrell. Motion approved.

d. 6:22 PM Out of field teacher approval - discussion/action

BST has one elementary teacher who is a long-term sub, and she is in the Education Program. BST has one permanent sub in the secondary school. *Motion by Mr. Hall, to approve the two out of field teachers.* 2nd by Mr. Paczkowski. Motion unanimously approved.

- e. 6:24 PM FL Charter School Conference Orlando- discussion. No Action.
- f. 6:25 PM Discuss board member recruitment ideas discussion.

(ed note- professionally designed recruitment flyers have been emailed to board members, delivered to the Chamber of Commerce and some local professional businesses for recruiting board members)

- g. 6:35 PM Add agenda item for monthly SAC report and quarterly ENO report discussion/action. Maria Senecal and Authur Smith are SAC co-chairs. The Secretary is Moria Land who also represents 51% of BST parents. SAC attends Volusia County Advisory meetings, completes the initial interviews for potential board members, and provides reports to the board. A SAC representative will at regular board meetings to provide SAC reports.
 - h. 6:40 PM Final USDA Refinance Approval- action.

Motion by Mr. Paczkowski to accept the Certificate of Corporate Resolutions of Burns Science and Technology Charter School, INC as presented. 2^{nd} by Mr. Hall. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion by Mrs. Jarrell to accept the DEI Certification, Form RD 1940-1, Form RD 1942-46 and Letter of Conditions as presented. 2nd by Mr. Owens. Motion approved unanimously.

i. 6:43 PM Approve School Safety Policy- action.

Motion by Mr. Owens to approve the Safety School policy. 2^{nd} by Mrs. Jarrell. Motion approved unanimously.

j. 6:45 PM Approve Protection of Student Information Policy- action.

Motion by Mrs. Jarrell, to approve the School Student information policy provided by the state, 2^{nd} by Mrs. Sulle seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

- k. 6:47 PM Discuss building a partnership with other charter schools for employee benefits and commercial risk insurance- discussion/action. No Action.
- 7. Principals Report:
 - a. 6:50 PM Primary Principal's Report Mrs. Galerno.
 - i. Open Houses: interactive classrooms, special areas.
 - ii. Genius Hour: K-1, 2-3, 4-6 and every other month is Stop and STEM.
 - iii. Say Hello week.
 - iv. Pep rally for K-6 house.
 - v. Penny Wars.
 - vi. WIG day.
 - vii. Wranglers Ball: \$100,000 is our goal to raise funds.
 - b. 7:00 PM Secondary Principal's Report Mr. Hargrave.
 - i. Wranglers Ball: Class competitions.
 - ii. Work force talent and Mr. Carignan will take his class and having speakers.
 - iii. Student Chamber of Commerce.
 - iv. DECCA for marketing for students who are interested in this filed.
 - v. Golf team had the first win.
 - vi. Cross country met this weekend in Lakeland. Lilly won for the Jr's.
 - vii. Volleyball is still going on this year.
 - viii. Say Hello week: competition for saying hello to 50 people.
 - ix. Teachers are doing clubs and enjoying the kids.
- 8. 7:10 PM Treasurer Report: Mr. Appy provided financial report handouts. The current Audit is uploaded to the district and will need to be approved next meeting.
- 9. 7:15 PM Agenda items to consider for the next meeting.

SAC Report at beginning of agenda.

Bylaws change for policies – chairman signature, revise wording to include (and/or secretary) Approve the Audit

10. 7:18 PM Board Member issues concerns/comments.

Suzanne Jarrell enjoyed Financial Literacy Class. In May, there will be a STEM dinner - make plans to attended.

Thank you to The Oak Hill community Trust for dinner and the presentation.

- 11. 7:21 PM Public Announcements Next Regular Board Meeting October 21, 2025.
- 12. 7:22 PM Adjournment. The regular board meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.