



The Roger Bacon Academy

NC Charter School Advisory Board Monthly Meeting - July 16, 2018

The notes below reflect the observations of Lindalyn Kakadelis, Senior Consultant with NC Education Strategies employed by The Roger Bacon Academy, Inc. We post Mrs. Kakadelis' notes as a service to interested educators, parents, and community members. These notes are not official minutes of the NCSBE or NCCSAB nor do they necessarily reflect the opinions of RBA or its staff.

Agenda & Handouts:

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Audio of meeting can be [found on YouTube](#).

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II. North Carolina Association for Public Charter Schools Welcome

Ms. Rhonda Dillingham welcomed CSAB to the conference. She talked about the importance of charter schools speaking with one voice.

III. Elect Chair/Vice Chair & Committee Assignments

Mr. Alex Quigley was unanimously voted to be Chairman for the upcoming year.

Mr. Steven Walker was unanimously voted to be Vice Chairman for the upcoming year.

Mr. Joe Maimone is stepping down from being the Chair of the Performance Committee. Mrs. Kakadelis has been asked and has agreed to accept the Chair position of this committee. Mr. Maimone stated he is proud of work Lindalyn Kakadelis has already put into the committee and delighted she is willing to accept this leadership position.

The Committee Assignments:

Policy Committee – Lindalyn Kakadelis (Chair), Joe Maimone, Sherry Reeves, Phyllis Gibbs & Tammi Sutton

Performance Committee – Steven Walker (Chair), Lynn Kroeger, Alan Hawkes, Cheryl Turner, Heather Vuncannon

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IV. Ethics Training – Mr. Eric Snider, SBE Attorney

Mr. Snider presented this year's ethics training to CSAB. He covered public records, open meetings and board member conduct. He suggested saving his power point presentation and using it as a resource, referring back to it when questions arise.

- **Public Records:** Any item made or received in connection with work on this board is a public record. Some items not public records: attorney client communications, tax records, trade secrets, criminal records, health records, student files and education records, emergency response plans employee personnel file.
Any member of the public can ask for public records. The Office of Charter schools & DPI have protocols for handling public records requests so any requests should be sent to those offices.
- **Open Meetings:** CSAB is meeting as a public body so it is a public meeting in official capacity. An open meeting is any official meeting where a majority of the members are gathered when the purpose of the meeting is to execute legislative, policy-making, quasi-judicial, administrative or advisory. Be careful not to turn a subcommittee meeting into a full open meeting by having a majority of members present. Open meetings require a public notice and minutes. An ethics statement is read before any public meeting. Public meetings must have a public notice with purpose, time, date, location, and required length of meeting. Minutes must always be taken during a public meeting.
- **Board Member Conduct:** Conflicts of interest SBE policy (SBOP-026) applies to CSAB. Basically members shall not use their position for financial gain, whether direct or indirect, for themselves or their families. The Board is to be nonpartisan and shall not support or take a position with respect to any legislative or political matters.

V. State Board of Education Updates – Mr. Dave Machado

- SBE approved the assumption of Heritage Collegiate Leadership Academy.
- SBE approved the Healthy Start request to transfer the charter to RTCA, Inc.
- SBE approved 12 schools recommended through the Ready to Open process. This will give a total of 185 charter schools in the state.
- SBE approved the recommendations for the Fast-track replication Policy & New CMO Policy.
- SBE approved the recommendation that Thomas Academy be given an alternative charter school status.
- Office of Charter School will be hosting two profession development conferences and both will include new applicant training.
- CSAB Member Hawkes asked if SBE made stipulations regarding the assumption of Heritage Collegiate. – Yes, The school must come before CSAB every November to report on their financials, academics and governance.
- CSAB Member Hawkes asked about the vendors who were owed money and if the group assuming the charter will be working with them. Mr. Machado stated he did not know specifics, but the organization assuming the charter was negotiating with vendors.

VI. New Business

Presentation on the Performance Framework – presented by Lindalyn Kakadelis

In June the Office of Charter Schools began a thorough review of items found in the Performance Framework. Many schools were asked to resubmit documents even though the documents had been compliant in years past. This led to the leadership asking Mrs. Kakadelis to do a presentation on the Performance Framework.

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VII. Strategic Planning for 2018-19 Calendar

- CSAB reviewed the 2018-19 dates for meetings.
- There would not be a meeting in August 2018 – and one-day meetings until November.
- In November CSAB will begin to review new charter applications and two-day meetings will be required until all applications have been processed and recommendations have been sent to SBE.
- After reviewing all application CSAB will go back to one-day meetings.

VIII. Teacher presentation

The 2018 Charter School Teacher of the Year:

Courtney Samuelson is the 2018 Charter School Teacher of the Year. She teaches 5th grade at Capital Encore Academy.

She discussed her journey as a teacher. Her educational philosophy includes self – actualization and giving kids a change to think critically.

Her platform as Teacher of the Year includes equitable access to excellent education for all students and strengthening the ties between communities and schools.

She would like to unify charter school advocates and public school teachers because they share the same mission.

CSAB congratulated Ms. Samuelson and thanked her for coming and sharing.

Adjourn 11:50

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