

Minutes for March 10, 2022

LABBB Board of Directors:

Dr. Eric Conti, Burlington Public Schools

Dr. Elizabeth Homan, Arlington Public Schools

Mr. Philip Conrad, Bedford Public Schools

Dr. Julie Hackett, Lexington Public Schools - Absent

Mr. John Phelan, Belmont Public Schools

Date: Thursday, March 10, 2022

Time: 9:00AM

Location of Meeting: LABBB Central Office

LABBB Central Office:

William Lupini, Interim Executive Director Joseph Adams, Accounting Manager

AGENDA

- Dr. Eric Conti called the LABBB Board meeting to order at 9:21 am.
- Public Participation, No public participation.

Recommended Action Items:

- Mr. Philip Conrad made a motion to approve meeting minutes of December 16, 2021, Seconded by Mr. John Phelan, all in favor. 4-0.
- Dr. Elizabeth Homan made a motion to approve meeting minutes of February 16, 2022, Seconded by Mr. Philip Conrad. All in favor 2-0-2. John abstained

Eric started the meeting by praising Bill for a successful/well-presented search process. All were in agreement.

Discussion Items

- Current Enrollment
 - Current enrollment is at 293 (This includes a few 45 day evaluations)
 - 288 school year, down by 3
 - ~\$255K decrease in budget
 - Surplus in the ballpark of \$500K
 - LABBB has been able to take in a few new students with some increase in staff
 - Still struggling to fill some TA positions

Van Purchases

 Burlington wants to buy 2 used LABBB vans – Joe will check with ACT leasing when negotiating extension (or contract closure)

- o John Phelan brought up the discussion again about electric vans
 - Need charging stations
 - Need to start with a Pilot program first before buying entire fleet
 - Discussion ended as we discussed at the last BOD's meeting with the plan to into feasibility at the next purchase of vans in approximately 3-5 years.
- Capital Plan
 - Present Capital Plan document for approval
 - Cover specific projects expected over the next 3-5 years '
 - Motion to approve Capital Plan as living document can change. 4-0
- Capital Reserve Fund currently \$4M
 - Phil wants to include Historical capital purchases; Joe agreed and said once the capital reserve fund is utilized that we can keep summary/tracking for the Board
 - We haven't used any of it until the fall for the purchase of vans
- LABBB Internal Van Fleet \$1.45M
- New Belmont High School (FY23) \$50K
 - LABBB planned to purchase lifts. However, MSBA might not let us pay because part of infrastructure of construction
- New Arlington High School (FY24-25) \$90K
 - Three classrooms, two large office/planning rooms
 - Large OT/PT space with connected storage
 - o Teacher commons area with kitchen, wash/dryer
- Procedures for capital reserve utilization
 - Usage approved through board vote Eric documents approval and the presented amended budget
 - Approved POs / Invoices will go to Eric (Chair) & Pam (Executive Director)
 - o Retain all documentation / signatures as final package
- Improvement Projects on the Horizon
 - Would still need a vote to approve usage and amended budget
- Burlington Classroom Space Transition \$125K
 - Potential move of Programs
- Technology Assessment Infrastructure \$175K
- Transportation Eval and Expansion \$700K
 - o 27 vans expand by 10 vans
 - Transport all member districts
- Lexington High School \$400K
 - Initial MSBA approval to start process
- Fox Hill Elementary School \$75K
- Butler Elementary School \$50K
- \$885K of Capital Reserve Fund designated for future outlay of program space capital improvements within Districts classrooms

Adjournment:

 Mr. Philip Conrad made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:16 am, Seconded by Mr. John Phelan. All in favor 4-0.

