



Meeting Minutes: March 7, 2019

In attendance:

LABBB Board of Directors:

Dr. Kathy Bodie, Arlington Public Schools
Dr. Julie Hackett, Lexington Public Schools
Mr. Jonathan Sills, Bedford Public Schools
Dr. John Phelan, Belmont Public Schools

LABBB Central Office:

Patric Barbieri, Executive Director
Gerry Mazor, Director of Special Projects
Matt Cameron, Financial Administrator

Mr. Jonathan Sills called the Board Meeting to order at **9:31AM**.

No public participation

Action Items:

Item #1: Approval of October 4, 2018 meeting minutes.

Motion made by **Dr. Kathie Bodie**, Seconded by **Dr. John Phelan**. All in favor **4-0-0**.

Item #2: Approval of December 20, 2018 meeting minutes.

Motion made by **Dr. Kathie Bodie**, Seconded by **Dr. John Phelan**. All in favor **4-0-0**.

Item #3: Approval to move LABBB from Minuteman to Medford Vocational.

Motion made by **Dr. John Phelan**, Seconded by **Dr. Julie Hackett**. All in favor **4-0-0**.

Item #4: Approval of LABBB DDS/MRC adult services program.

Motion made by **Dr. Julie Hackett**, Seconded by **Dr. John Phelan**. All in favor **4-0-0**.

Discussion Items:

- Post 22 Adult Service Center
 - For many years LABBB parents and alumni have consistently asked if LABBB would offer programming to adults (Post-22).
 - On December 31, 2018, new legislation now makes collaboratives eligible to provide adult services to students post-22. LABBB is actively entering the bid process as a vendor to provide adult services via DDS (Department of Developmental Services) and MRC (Mass. Rehabilitation Commission).
 - LABBB has also applied to offer Pre-ETS (Pre-Employment Transition Services) as a service program which can be provided to LABBB member districts or anyone requesting these services.
 - If LABBB is approved, these services would each have its own separate budget that would not be part of our operating budget.
- Member Credits
 - FY18 certified excess cumulative surplus - \$1,971,572

- FY18: LABBB Board proposed 75% of this to be distributed as member credits. DESE made the determination to decrease 40% of the surplus as member credits and to utilize the remainder using OPEB or Capital Reserve.
- EL in LABBB districts
 - Based on EL students in LABBB districts, would it be beneficial to hire a shared EL Coordinator when the districts don't have a need for a full-time employee.
- Belmont Building Project Space for 2021-2023
 - Belmont has put 4 classroom spaces dedicated to LABBB in the new facility with its own pick up/drop off zone.
 - Based on reconfiguring some spaces temporarily (2021 – 2023), John Phelan believes there's no current need for modular; however, there may be some costs associated with finishing the project after LABBB is moved to its permanent location in the facility.
- Minuteman Tech update
 - Julie talked with Ed Boquillion to discuss the LABBB's presence at Minuteman
 - Dr. Boquillion stated that LABBB ignored a MOA for LABBB to be in the new Minuteman building contingent upon LABBB making \$2M payment along with \$9,000 per student overhead.
 - LABBB is currently talking with Medford vocational school for a potential move to their facility.
 - The understanding that a MOA between a district and a collaborative will give districts reimbursement points is not accurate. This has been discussed with MSBA. On behalf of Minuteman and LABBB and requested by Ed Boquillion, the LABBB Board of Directors wrote a letter to state representatives supporting districts points for new building projects. MOEC (Massachusetts Organization of Educational Collaboratives) has also been actively lobbying for this change for many years.

Adjournment:

- **Mr. Jonathan Sills** made a motion to adjourn the meeting at **10:56am**, seconded by **Dr. John Phalen**, all in favor **4-0**.

