

**I. Call to Order By Board Secretary – 5:43pm**

**II. Public Notice of Meeting/NJ Sunshine Law**

The New Jersey Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right to the public to have advanced notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted on in accordance with N.J.S.A 10:4-6 et seq.

On the rules of this act, Greater Brunswick Charter School has caused notice of this meeting by Publicizing the date, time and place, of the regularly scheduled meeting in the Public Notice Section of the Home News Tribune and Star Ledgers, sent to the clerks of Highland Park, Edison and New Brunswick and posted at the Greater Brunswick Charter School located at 429 Joyce Kilmer Ave, New Brunswick, NJ 08901. Formal action will take place at this meeting.

**III. Roll Call**

Voting Members	Role	Present	Absent
Christopher Coulthard	Board Trustee	X	
Susan Jackson	Board Trustee		X
Lindsay Kessler	Board Trustee		X
Molly Larobina	Board Trustee	X	
David Learn	Board Vice Chair / Trustee		X
Peter Schaeffing	Board Trustee	X	
Anna Seewald	Board Trustee	X	
George Waters	Board Chair / Trustee	X	
Choka Yogalingam	Board Trustee	X, 6:11 pm	X

**Also Present**

Non-Voting	Role	Present	Absent
Donna Medea	Education Director		X
Vanessa Jones	Assist. Education Director	X	
Greg Romero	Supervisor of Instruction	X	
Michael Falkowski	SBA/ Board Secretary	X	

**IV. Pledge of Allegiance**

**V. Board Resignation(s)**

To approve the resignation of Board Trustee Laticia Pantaleon sworn in on July 16, 2015.

To approve the resignation of Board Trustee Lindsay Kessler sworn in on July 16, 2015.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Christopher Coulthard		X				Peter Schaeffing		X			
Susan Jackson					X	Anna Seewald		X			
David Learn					X	George Waters	1 <sup>st</sup>	X			
Molly Larobina	2 <sup>nd</sup>	X				Choka Yogalingam					X

**VI. Approve Meeting Agenda**

Motion for Greater Brunswick Charter School, Board of Trustees to approve the Agenda for the **August 20, 2015** meeting.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Christopher Coulthard		X				Peter Schaeffing		X			
Susan Jackson					X	Anna Seewald		X			
David Learn					X	George Waters	1 <sup>st</sup>	X			
Molly Larobina	2 <sup>nd</sup>	X				Choka Yogalingam					X

**VII. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes**

Motion for Greater Brunswick Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from **July 16, 2015**.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Christopher Coulthard		X				Peter Schaeffing		X			
Susan Jackson					X	Anna Seewald		X			
David Learn					X	George Waters	1 <sup>st</sup>	X			
Molly Larobina	2 <sup>nd</sup>	X				Choka Yogalingam					X

**VIII. Public Comment - NONE**

**IX. Correspondence - NONE**

**X. Reports**

1. Director’s Report

Ms. Jones presented the Director’s Report. Updates were provided on hiring, the Annual Report, curriculum update, and recent facility issues.

2. HIB Report - NONE

Motion to accept Director’s ~~and HIB Report.~~

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Christopher Coulthard		X				Peter Schaeffing		X			
Susan Jackson					X	Anna Seewald		X			
David Learn					X	George Waters	1 <sup>st</sup>	X			
Molly Larobina	2 <sup>nd</sup>	X				Choka Yogalingam					X

**XI. Closed Session (if necessary) - NONE**

**XII. Motions for Approval**

1. Finance

- a. To approve the June 2015 Board Secretary Report
- b. To approve the June 2015 Treasurer Report

- c. Bills List: Approve Bills List from July 17, 2015 to August 20, 2015.
- d. Payroll: To approve the following payrolls:

July 30, 2015	\$83,955.58
August 15, 2015	\$76,745.33

- e. To approve the grant application for the 2015 Safety Grant Program through the New Jersey School Insurance Group's ERIC NORTH Subfund for the purposes described in the application, in the amount of \$2,500.00 for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.
- f. To approve the Learning.com Easy Tech for Grade K-8 Site License & Inquiry to provide K-8 digital curriculum to develop technology and 21<sup>st</sup> century skills - \$3500/year.

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Christopher Coulthard		X				Peter Schaeffing		X			
Susan Jackson			X			Anna Seewald		X			
David Learn			X			George Waters	1 <sup>st</sup>	X			
Molly Larobina	2 <sup>nd</sup>	X				Choka Yogalingam					X

### **Board Trustee Candidate**

Dr. Anju Thomas arrived at the meeting and was introduced to the Board. Dr. Thomas briefly gave the board a background history and why she was interested in becoming a Board Trustee.

Mr. Choka Yogalingam arrived at the meeting at 6:11 pm.

### **XIII. Closed Session – 6:19 pm**

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Christopher Coulthard		X				Peter Schaeffing		X			
Susan Jackson			X			Anna Seewald		X			
David Learn			X			George Waters	1 <sup>st</sup>	X			
Molly Larobina	2 <sup>nd</sup>	X				Choka Yogalingam		X			

- Board held a discussion concerning approving a new community Board Trustee.

### **XIV. Adjourn Closed Session – 6:24 pm**

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Christopher Coulthard		X				Peter Schaeffing	1 <sup>st</sup>	X			
Susan Jackson			X			Anna Seewald		X			
David Learn			X			George Waters		X			
Molly Larobina	2 <sup>nd</sup>	X				Choka Yogalingam		X			

**Motion to approve Dr. Anju Thomas as a Community Member Board Trustee with a term ending June 2018.**

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Christopher Coulthard		X				Peter Schaeffing		X			
Susan Jackson			X			Anna Seewald		X			
David Learn			X			George Waters	1 <sup>st</sup>	X			
Molly Larobina	2 <sup>nd</sup>	X				Choka Yogalingam		X			

Dr. Thomas was sworn in by the Board Secretary.

**2. Buildings & Grounds - NONE**

**3. Personnel**

- a. To approve the following new staff:

Name	Title	Salary / Rate	Start Date	End Date
Daniela Suastegui	School Receptionist	\$25,500 annual, prorated for the term of employment, maternity leave replacement	9/7/2015	12/23/2015
Erica Yvonne	MS Language Arts Teacher	Step 5MA, \$50,394	9/1/2015	6/30/2016
Ileana Hilton	Spanish Teacher	Step 9MA, \$55,654	9/1/2015	6/30/2016
Caitlin Mitchel	PT Spec Ed Teacher	Step 1MA, \$35,952.23 5.5hrs/day or 73.33%	9/1/2015	6/30/2016
Cherie Ann Schlupek	Teacher – ESL	Step1BA, \$47,778	9/1/2015	6/30/2016

- b. To approve the following FY16 stipends:

Name	Title	Salary / Rate
Angelique Sheehan	Group Leader - K-1	\$2,772
Eva Barabas	Group Leader - 2-3	\$2,772
Lyubov Dubinina	Group Leader - 4-5	\$2,772
Amie Fitzgerald	Group Leader – MS	\$2,772
Martha Goz	Group Leader – Special Education	\$2,772
Myra Anne Townes	Group Leader - Special/Success/ESL	\$2,772
Daniela Garay	Yearbook	\$1,500
Martha Goz	Anti-Bullying Specialist	\$5,000

Note: prorated for lesser term, current replacement for Jen Banks

- c.

to approve the resignation of Jacqueline Burns.

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Christopher Coulthard		X				Anna Seewald	1 <sup>st</sup>	X			
Susan Jackson			X			Anju Thomas		X			
David Learn			X			George Waters		X			
Molly Larobina	2 <sup>nd</sup>	X				Choka Yogalingam		X			
Peter Schaeffing		X									

**4. Curriculum/Special Education - NONE**

**5. Policy/Miscellaneous - NONE**

**XV. Enrollment Report**

Grade	FY16 ENR	Jul 15, 2015	Aug 15, 2015	Sep 15, 2015	Oct 15, 2015	Nov 15, 2015	Dec 15, 2015	Jan 15, 2016	Feb 15, 2016	Mar 15, 2016	Apr 15, 2016	May 15, 2016	Jun 15, 2016	Wait List
K	44	44	44											10
1	44	44	44											13
2	44	44	44											12
3	44	44	44											9
4	42	44	44											6
5	42	40	40											5
6	44	44	44											15
7	44	43	43											6
8	42	43	43											2
<b>Total</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>390</b>											<b>78</b>

**XVI. Committee Reports**

1. SRC – Ms. Seewald will be heading the committee.
2. Community and Development – Mr. Coulthard will be heading the committee.
3. Finance and Facilities – Mr. Yogalingam was added to the committee.
4. Governance

Mr. Coulthard departed the meeting at 6:42pm.

**XVII. New Business**

Reminder that the Board will host a staff lunch on Wednesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**XVIII. Closing Comments**

The Board went around the room and provided comments, many welcoming the new Trustee, Dr. Thomas.

**XIX. Action Items**

1. Next Board Meeting: Thursday, September 17, 2015

**XX. Adjournment – 7:01 pm**

Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Voting Members	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Christopher Coulthard		X				Anna Seewald		X			
Susan Jackson			X			Anju Thomas		X			
David Learn			X			George Waters	1 <sup>st</sup>	X			
Molly Larobina	2 <sup>nd</sup>	X				Choka Yogalingam		X			
Peter Schaeffing		X									

**XXI. Closed Session (if necessary)**