

I. Call to Order By Board Secretary – 5:41 pm
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	
Molly Larobina	Board Trustee	X	
David Learn	Board Vice Chair / Trustee	X, 5:48pm	
Peter Schaeffing	Board Trustee	X	
Anna Seewald	Board Trustee	X	
Anju Thomas	Board Trustee	X	
George Waters	Board Chair / Trustee	X	
Choka Yogalingam	Board Trustee		X

Also Present

Non-Voting	Role	Present	Absent
Donna Medea	Education Director	X	
Vanessa Jones	Assist. Education Director	X	
Michael Falkowski	SBA/ Board Secretary	X	
Peter Creekmore	Teacher Representative	X	

IV. Pledge of Allegiance
V. Approve Meeting Agenda

Motion for Greater Brunswick Charter School, Board of Trustees to approve the Agenda for the **May 12, 2016** meeting.

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

VI. Acceptance of Meeting Minutes

Motion for Greater Brunswick Charter School, Board of Trustees to accept the minutes from **April 21, 2016.**

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

VII. Public Comment - NONE

VIII. Correspondence

Ms. Medea updated the Board with staff resignations and retirements.

IX. Reports / Presentations

1. Director’s Report

Ms. Medea presented the Director’s Report as attached. Ms. Jones updated the Board on the status of hiring. Need to discuss Rehire Staff list in Executive Session. Teacher appreciation went really well.

2. HIB Report

1 report confirmed as HIB.

Motion to accept Director’s and HIB Report.

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

X. Closed Session - 5:55pm 1st Mr. Coulthard, 2nd Ms. Larobina, all in favor

Topics: Personnel discussion regarding rehire staff. Request for leave of absence. Student placements. HIB case details. Update on candidates for Assistant Director position.

Adjourn Closed Session, and enter Public Session – 6:54 pm 1st Mr. Coulthard, 2nd Ms. Larobina, all in favor

XI. Motions for Approval

1. Finance

- a. Board Secretary Report: To approve the April 2016 Board Secretary Report
- b. Treasurer Report: To approve the April 2016 Bank Reconciliation Report
- c. Bills List: Approve Bills List from April 22, 2016 to May 12, 2016
- d. Payroll: To approve the following payrolls:

April 29, 2016	\$192,910.83
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Christopher Coulthard	1 st	X				Anna Seewald		X			
Susan Jackson		X				Anju Thomas					X
Molly Larobina	2 nd	X				George Waters		X			
David Learn		X				Choka Yogalingam					X
Peter Schaeffing		X									

2. Buildings & Grounds - NONE

3. Personnel

- a. To approve the rehire of GBCS staff as attached for the school year 2016-2017.
- b. To approve hiring the following staff:

Name	Position	Salary	Start date
Maryam Khomusi	Spark Substitute	\$40 per hour funded through NCLB	Imm.
Christine Rozycki	Spark Substitute	\$40 per hour funded through NCLB	Imm.
Sindy DeOlivera	Special Education Teacher	Step 1 MA, \$49,920	9/1/16
Natasha Roig	Dual Language Teacher	Step 1 MA, \$49,920	9/1/16

- c. To approve Stephani Estrella to attend the summer Reading and Writing Project at Columbia University, NYC, August 1, 2016 to August 5, 2016 for a registration fee of \$825 plus associated travel expenses.
- d. To accept the resignation, with regret, of Mary Sysyn, special education teacher.
- e. To accept the resignation, with regret, of Katie Antos, special education teacher.
- f. To accept the resignation, with regret, of Ingrid Edenbaum, teacher.
- g. To accept the resignation, with regret, of Hann Faheem, teacher – ESL.
- h. To accept the resignation, with regret, of Johanna Safranski, special education teacher.
- i. To accept the retirement, with regret, of Myra Anne Townes, BSI Teacher.

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Susan Jackson		X				Anju Thomas					X
Molly Larobina	2 nd	X				George Waters		X			
David Learn		X				Choka Yogalingam					X
Peter Schaeffing		X									

4. Curriculum/Special Education

- a. To approve the Out-Of-District placement for student R.A.

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Christopher Coulthard	1 st	X				Anna Seewald		X			
Susan Jackson		X				Anju Thomas					X
Molly Larobina	2 nd	X				George Waters		X			
David Learn		X				Choka Yogalingam					X
Peter Schaeffing		X									

5. Policy/Miscellaneous

- a. To approve the Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying (HIB) report presented to the Board of Trustees at the April 21, 2016 regular meeting.
- b. To approve the school calendar for 2016-2017.

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Susan Jackson		X				Anju Thomas					X
Molly Larobina	2 nd	X				George Waters		X			
David Learn		X				Choka Yogalingam					X
Peter Schaeffing		X									

XII. 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	44	44	44	44	44	43	44	44	44		11
1	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44		14
2	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44		11
3	44	44	44	44	43	43	44	44	44	44	44	44		8
4	42	44	44	44	43	43	43	43	43	42	43	43		2
5	42	40	40	40	41	41	41	41	41	41	41	41		4
6	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44		16
7	44	43	43	43	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44		5
8	42	43	43	43	42	42	42	42	42	42	42	42		2
Total	390	390	390	390	388	388	390	390	389	389	390	390		72

XIII. New Business

- 1. To approve the 8th Grade trip for Fairview Lake in Newton, NJ on June 8th, 9th and 10th, at no cost to the school.
- 2. To approve three (3) year contract with Mr. Hector Alvarez as Assistant Education Director at \$93,000/year with a start date of July 1, 2016, ending June 30 2019.

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Susan Jackson		X				Anju Thomas					X
Molly Larobina	2 nd	X				George Waters		X			
David Learn		X				Choka Yogalingam					X
Peter Schaeffing		X									

XIV. Committee Reports

1. SRC – reviewed goals for the year, discussion on book the committee is reading, to adopt Marshall Model
2. Community and Development – Walk-a-thon moved of June 25th. Starts at Baker Parker on Rumson Ave.
3. Finance and Facilities – None, because of the short time frame no meeting was held.
4. Governance – discussed Board elections, might consider appointing Boards, discussed re-appointing members to committees
5. Development – discussed where to find grants and donors

XV. Closing Comments

Comments on the food, and the new Assistant Director.

XVI. Action Items

- Next Board Meeting: Thursday, June 16, 2016

XVII. Adjournment – 7:36 pm

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

XVIII. Closed Session (if necessary) - NONE