

Baxter Academy May Board of Directors Meeting

September 19th, 2023

6pm to 8pm

Present: Nik Charov, Thorn Dickinson, Ruth Dean, Jana Lapoint, Dan Mickool, Anna Klein-Christie

Not present: Justin Richards

Called to order by chair Thorn Dickinson at 6:01pm

Minutes

1. Welcome remarks by chair Thorn Dickinson
2. Jana Lapoint announces the passing of Shelly Reed.
3. Approval of Minutes. Thorn Dickinson motioned to approve the July board meeting minutes as presented, Nik Charov. Approved unanimously.
4. Executive Director Report.
 - a. Anna Klein-Christie notes that the start of the school year has been joyful with a marvelous atmosphere. Things are cheerful.
 - b. Anna notes there is a new club for charter advocacy.
 - c. The building is "full". Back to school orientation went well.
 - d. Newly approved clubs are listed on the Executive Director's report. A very robust roster!
 - e. Enrollment is 376 and 109 Freshmen.
 - f. Retention plans solid. Thorn is still committed to a pizza party...
 - g. Baxter in the community is doing well. Internships, Field Trips, Partnerships, Alumni Engagement doing well.
 - h. Baxter is hosting a chess tournament and will be open to the public.
 - i. Ms Po provided an update on assessment plan. Assessments are laid out at department level (Math, Science, Design, Humanities, Flex Friday and through Advisory).
 - j. How can board members bring value to the school? Networks, speakers, interns, ESL, transportation are areas of need.
 - k. Flex Friday 10-27-23 Elevator Pitch.
5. Public comment opened. 1 person online but no comments.
6. Motion to adjourn Thorn. Seconded by Dan. All in favor