BONNIE CONE SCHOOLS Board of Directors
SPECIAL Virtual Board Meeting Minutes
7-6-2026 at 4:30PM

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I. **Call to Order:** Chairman Marty McCarthy at 4:30 pm

II. **Pledge of Allegiance IMAGE**

III. **Reading of the Mission Statement:** by Director Marty McCarthy
The Bonnie Cone Schools mission is to equip students with the tools of learning to think critically, reason effectively, and communicate persuasively through the rigors of a classical education.

IV. **Spoken Invocation:** by Director Marty McCarthy

V. **Roll Call:** by Secretary Stephanie Newbrough

Board Member	Title	Term	Attendance
Marty McCarthy	Chair	June 2028	Present
Brian Puckett	Vice Chair/Treasurer	June 2028	Present Virtually @ 4:40
Stephanie Newbrough	Secretary	June 2028	Present Virtually @ 4:43
William Mills, III Esq	Director	June 2028	Present
George Gately	Director	April 2028	Present
Jeffrey Sich	Director	August 2028	Present

VI. **Approval of the agenda:** Director William Mills requested that letter from DPI for the renewal of our charter be added under new business on the agenda.

A **motion** was made by Director William Mills to approve the agenda for 7/6/26. Second by Jeffrey Sich. There was no discussion, Vote 5-0 all in favor at 4:40 pm.

VII. **Closed Session:** A **motion** was made to enter Closed Session by Director Jeffery Sich. Second by Director George Gately. There was no discussion, Vote 5-0 all in favor at 4:45 pm.

Pursuant to **§ 143-318.11(a)(3)(a)(6) Closed Sessions** To prevent the disclosure of information that is privileged or confidential pursuant to the law of this State or of the United States, or not considered a public record within the meaning of Chapter 132 of the General Statutes.

During closed session a **motion** to authorize Poyner Spruill LLP to resolve the claims made by Susan Hunter was made by Director William Mills. Second by Director George Gately. There was no discussion, Vote 6-0 all in favor at 5:12 pm.

A **motion** was made to exit Closed Session by Director George Gately. Second by Director William Mills. There was no discussion, Vote 6-0 all in favor at 5:41 pm. No Action was taken after coming out of closed session.

VIII. Discussion/New Business/Action Items:

A. Charter Renewal letter from DPI: A **motion** was made to give Board Chairman Marty McCarthy the authority to respond to the letter from DPI acknowledging that the Bonnie Cone Schools will renew their Charter for an additional 10-year period by Director George Gately. Second by Director William Mills. There was no discussion, Vote 6-0 all in favor at 5:41 pm.

B. New Board Member: Board Chairman Marty McCarthy told the board about a potentially new Board member, Rebekah Deese, that he will be bringing to the board for consideration at our July 21, 2026, meeting.

IX. Announcements:

The next regular scheduled Board meeting is Tuesday, July 21, 2026

X. Adjournment: A **motion** was made to Adjourn the meeting by Director William Mills. Second by Director Jeffery Sich. There was no discussion, Vote 6-0 all in favor at 5:44 pm.