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**BATTLE CREEK AREA LEARNING CENTER
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
CALHOUN COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL
765 UPTON AVE
SPRINGFIELD, MI 49037**

Tuesday, April 13, 2021 – 5:30 pm

1. **Call to Order**

At 5:34 p.m., Chairperson Rhonda Ostrander-Cook called the In Person/Zoom meeting to order. Attendance reflected the following:

Present: Katherine Fox, Rhonda Ostrander-Cook, Tim Reese-Zoom, Gilbert Ortiz

Absent: Robin Kerr – excused, Christy Chapin - excused

Others Present: Tim Allard - CCHS, Jessica Reid – CCHS, Laurie Ruhstorfer (via Zoom) – CCHS, Tim Morris (via phone) – BMCC, Derek Elliott – CCHS, Heather Gardner (via Zoom) – EAS Schools, Samantha Barthels (via Zoom) – Accesspoint HR, Rhonda Marcum - CCHS

2. **Public Comments on Agenda**

None

3. **Introduction of guests**

Heather Gardner from EAS Schools is here to present the board with information on Accounting Services. Samantha Barthels from AccessPoint HR is here to explain health insurance benefits to the board.

4. **Approval of Meeting Agenda**

Gilbert Ortiz motioned to approve the meeting agenda. Katherine Fox supported the motion.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

5. **Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on 3/9/21**

Gilbert Ortiz motioned to approve the regular minutes, Katherine Fox supported the motion.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

6. **Extended Learning Plan Covid 19 Preparedness Plan**

Katherine Fox motioned to approve the continuation of the Preparedness Plan as presented. Tim Reese supported the motion.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

7. **Resolution to retain purchased service with EAS Schools Accounting Firm**

Tim Reese motioned to approve EAS Schools as BCALC's new Accounting Firm. Katherine Fox supported the motion.

Ayes: 3

Nays: 1

Motion Carried

BCALC Board Secretary, Katherine Fox



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8. **Resolution to secure health benefit packages to be offered to CCHS staff members for 2021-2022 SY**
Gilbert Ortiz motioned to accept, as presented, BCBS as the Health care provider along with Guardian Vision and Dental's Optimal Package in addition to the proposed Board contributions. Tim Reese supported the motion.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

9. **Enrollment/Losses**
Report was reviewed

Reports

A. Superintendent's Report

Report was reviewed.

B. Bay Mill's Report

None

C. Financial Report

Financial statement was reviewed.

10. **Board Member and Staff Commentary**
Derek Elliot expressed his appreciation in knowing that EAS can find and write grants for the school. Jessica Reid recommended looking into options for HR services in the future.

11. **Public Comments**
None

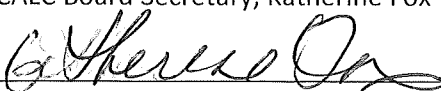
12. **Adjournment**
At 6:53 pm Katherine Fox motioned to adjourn the meeting, Gilbert Ortiz supported the motion. The next board meeting will be held May 11, 2021 at 5:30pm.

Ayes: 4

Nays: 0

Motion Carried

BCALC Board Secretary, Katherine Fox



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