

Briya Public Charter School
DRAFT Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 12th, 2026, 6:10-7:30 p.m. on Zoom

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Board members present

Doris Garay, *Chair*
Dimelsa Zelaya, *Secretary*
Alejandra Sandoval
Brittany Pope
Bill Bletzinger
Carolina Hernandez
Brenda Martinez
Mike Baer

Staff members present

Christie McKay, *Executive Director*
Joel Goering, *Director of Finance*
Judy Kittleson, *NEDP & Adult Education Manager*
Stella Wang, *Board Liaison*

Board members absent

Geovanna Izurieta, *Treasurer*
Stuart Butler, *Vice Chair*
Jennifer Huang

Quorum was reached.

1. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 6:23pm.

2. Approval of minutes

- June 10th Briya Board Meeting Minutes
 - **Bill Bletzinger** moved to approve the June 10th, 2026 Briya Board meeting minutes; **Brittany Pope** seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
 - Roll call:
 - Doris Garay – yes
 - Dimelsa Zelaya – yes
 - Brittany Pope – yes
 - Jennifer Huang – yes
 - Bill Bletzinger – yes
 - Carolina Hernandez – yes
 - Brenda Martinez – yes
 - Mike Baer – yes

3. Director's Report – presented by Christie McKay

- Christie shared highlights from the last school year and new initiatives for this school year. The school will continue to remain agile to meet changing needs.
4. **Finance Committee** - reported by Joel Goering
 - Preliminary/un-audited FY26 financials
 - Positive variance to net income primarily due to increased PPF, increase in local grants, philanthropic grants (2 year grants), realized and unrealized gains from change in market value of our investments.
 - Expenses were over budget. We have a lot of that expense from the net income we distribute to our staff through staff service awards. We do not budget for staff service awards but always try to do it when we can.
 2. **Academic Committee** - reported by Judy Kittleson
 - Outreach and enrollment update
 - The team is preparing for a successful Count 2026. The registration team has enrolled over 850 students since June 2025.
 - School leader performance review
 - Judy shared a timeline for the school leader performance review. The board will vote on this in the October board meeting.
 3. **Development Committee**
 - New interim board member- Michael Baer
 - Board officers
 - Christie is in the process of meeting with each board member. She has already met with officers, and they are all willing to continue serving in the roles they had this year.
 - Required board trainings
 - Starting this school year, board members are required to take PCSB trainings. The trainings this year will be between October 19 and January 18.
 - Stella will share the information slides presented with board members after the meeting.
 - Personal board goals
 - Each year we ask board members to set personal goals for the year.
 - Conflict of interest and confidentiality forms
 - Board members will receive these forms for an electronic signature.
 - Centering sign-up
 - Board members can sign up to lead centering for board meetings for the upcoming year.
 5. **Announcements/New Business**
 6. **Adjournment**
 - The meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.