

Board of Trustees Minutes of Meeting November 6, 2025

A public meeting of the Bear Creek Community Charter School Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, November 6, 2025 in the Community Room of Bear Creek Community Charter School, 30 Charter School Way, Bear Creek Township.

Board members Dave Blazejewski, Kim Popple, Lauren Hunzer, Peter Austin, Nicky Pachucki, Stacey Scullion, LynnMarie Shedlock and Wendy Lutchko participated. Absent were Brandy Lewis and John Parsons. Also participating were school administrators Kristen Young, Tammy Miller, Kim Stevens, Bridget Deeble and Jim Smith.

Dave Blazejewski called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Peter Austin led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Jim Smith conducted a roll call of the Board. Dave Blazejewski opened the meeting to public comment relating to agenda items. There was no public comment.

Peter Austin made a motion to approve meeting minutes of October 2, 2025, which was seconded by Lauren Hunzer and approved by unanimous roll-call vote of the Board members present.

Tammy Miller presented the unaudited financial statements to the Board for month-ending September 30, 2025. LynnMarie Shedlock made a motion to approve the financial statements and expenditures as presented, which was seconded by Peter Austin. All Board members present voted in favor of the motion with the exception of Wendy Lutchko, who abstained from voting on expenses associated with the employment of Hope Wanek, and Stacey Scullion, who abstained from voting on the expenses associated with the employment of Jennifer Smith There were no dissenting votes. The motion was approved by majority roll-call vote of the Board members present.

LynneMarie Shedlock made a motion to accept the resignation of Sarah Grega as full-time Learning Support Teacher, effective October 16, 2025, which was seconded by Peter Austin and approved by unanimous roll-call vote of the Board members present.

Kim Popple made the motion to ratify the hiring of Gabrielle Quinn as full-time temporary Itinerant Support Teacher, effective October 27, 2025, at a pro-rated annual salary of \$40,000.00 plus benefits. The motion was seconded by Wendy Lutchko and approved by unanimous roll-call vote of the Board members present.

Lauren Hunzer made a motion to approve the hiring of Michelle Geasey as Head Boys Basketball Coach for the 2025-2026 season along with a stipend of \$2,000, contingent upon receipt of all required clearances and completion of all appropriate training. The motion was seconded by Peter Austin and approved by unanimous roll-call vote of the Board members present.

Wendy Lutchko made a motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the United Way of Wyoming Valley for participation in the See To Succeed Program, which was seconded by LynneMarie Shedlock and approved by unanimous roll-call vote of the Board members preset.

Kim Popple made a motion to approve a Resolution relating to School Districts' failure to comply with state law and remit monthly charter school tuition, which was seconded by Peter Austin and approved by unanimous roll-call vote of the Board members present.

Peter Austin made a motion to approve the Title I plans for the 2025-2026 school year, which was seconded by Wendy Lutchko and approved by unanimous roll-call vote of the Board members present.

Jim Smith and Tammy Miller presented the short-term operational plan, in response to the state budget impasse and federal government shutdown. This includes potential opportunities to borrow funding to keep the school open through February 28, 2026 without the regular local, state and federal funding as well as scaling back activities and reducing spending.

Jim Smith, Kristen Young, Kim Stevens, Bridget Deeble and Tammy Miller provided the Board with operational updates.

Dave Blazejewski opened the meeting to general public comment. There was no public comment.

Kim Popple made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Peter Austin

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

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Respectfully,

Jim Smith

Board Secretary

Important Date to Remember: The next meeting of the Bear Creek Community Charter School Board of Trustees is Monday, November 17, 2025. The meeting will be held in the Community Room at Bear Creek Community Charter School, 30 Charter School Way, Bear Creek Township, PA 18702. The meeting is open to the public.