



LABBB Collaborative

Board of Director's Meeting
Thursday, December 18, 2014

Minutes

In attendance:

LABBB Board of Directors:

Dr. Eric Conti, Burlington (Board Chairman)
Dr. Kathy Bodie, Arlington
Mr. Jonathan Sills, Bedford
Mr. John Phelan, Belmont
Dr. Paul Ash, Lexington

LABBB Central Office:

Patric Barbieri, Executive Director
Gerry Mazor, Director of Special Projects
Maria Giangrande, Administrative Assistant

Paula Jo Gaines, DESE Collaborative Coordinator
Craig Robinson, LABBB Treasurer

In attendance for Audit Report:

Daniel Schaffner, Auditor, Fritz Deguglielmo LLC
Stephen Deguglielmo, Auditor, Fritz Deguglielmo LLC
Dean Poirier, Treasurer, EDCO Collaborative

Dr. Eric Conti called the LABBB Board of Director's meeting to order at 9:03 AM.

Public Participation:

- No public comments

Presentation of FY14 Independent Audit: Fritz and Deguglielmo:

- Overall a "Clean" Audit, No discrepancies found.
- Auditors recommended putting our funds in a bank that will insure our current cash balance. Our current bank, Rockland Trust, does not do this. Considering the amount of funds we currently have in Rockland Trust we should approach them first to ask if they will insure us.

- Unfunded liabilities are in a significantly better standing now due to our decrease in liabilities as reflected in audit report.

Action Items:

- 1.)** Dr. Eric Conti motions to **approve Meeting Minutes for October 3, 2014**; motion was seconded by Dr. Kathleen Bodie, all in favor.
- 2.)** Dr. Eric Conti motions to **approve Meeting Minutes for November 20, 2014**; motion was seconded by Mr. John Phelan, all in favor.
- 3.)** Dr. Eric Conti motions to **approve the FY14 Annual Independent Audit, with amendment to correct Executive Directors Salary**; motion was seconded by Mr. Jon Sills, all in favor.
- 4.)** Dr. Eric Conti motions to **approve the FY14 Annual Report**; motion was seconded by Dr. Kathleen Bodie, all in favor.

Discussion Items:

- **Minuteman / LABBB Partnership:**

- Ed Bouquillon, Superintendent of Minuteman; Kevin Mahoney, Assistant Superintendent of Finance, and Michelle Roche, Director of Career and Technical Education were in attendance to discuss the future of LABBB/ Minuteman.
- Minuteman is currently in the process of a building renovation with the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA). Ed Bouquillon would like to have LABBB continue programming at Minuteman but will need to consider MSBA incentive points for collaborative space. At this time collaborative space is not admissible for incentive points but is included in a recent bill (3839), submitted been by Rep. Alice Peisch.

“General Laws, shall award incentive points to districts for projects that include spaces for in-district special education programs and services provided by education collaboratives as defined in section 4E of chapter 40.”

- Executive Director will write a letter to MSBA supporting Bill 3938 and to outline the LABBB/Minuteman relationship.
- LABBB will pay \$4,000 per student for tuition at Minuteman tech due to increase student enrollment in trade shops.

Adjournment:

Dr. Eric Conti motioned to adjourn the board meeting at 11:08; motion was seconded by Dr. Paul Ash, all in favor.