

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. S. Pinkelman, L. Summers, N. Vouvalis, V. Jenkins, M. Christensen in attendance. J. Hendricksen arrived at 5:36 p.m.

J. Adams and C. McBride are also in attendance.

II. Past Minutes

Minutes from the August meeting stand approved.

III. Public Comment

No public comment.

IV. Financial Update from Red Apple

Steve Finley was not in attendance. L. Summers reviewed the budget breakdowns and did not see anything concerning. C. McBride indicated that the school's enrollment is up to where it was budgeted for last year.

V. Student Clubs

Gary Zahn, a former BRCS student, wants to start a club at Bear River Charter School called Opportunity X. The objectives are to teach basic scientific concepts that are commonly utilized within the STEM field. Ten students would participate each week, and the middle school science teacher would advise. No funds are required from the school, and basic equipment that the school already has would be all that is required. The national organization that structures this club would provide any other resources, including a curriculum.

Qiewi Gan proposed the Vex IQ Robotics club. His daughter, who is in the fourth grade, participated in a Vex Robotics program this summer, and really enjoyed it. Dr. Gan is interested in providing a more structured and disciplined approach to learning this, and potentially entering the student teams into competitions. He is willing to donate one of the \$350 kits and to oversee the activities. The Board advised that before they made the purchases, they would want to know that there were enough families with sustained interest in the program.

There is also a proposal from a current BRCS student to start a Spanish club that focuses on playing games, such that the students would be engaging in activities using Spanish as a learning tool.

Each club needs to secure a faculty advisor and the space in which to operate.

VI. Middle School Trip Discussion

Clint, who manages the spring field experience, would prefer to *add* a Fall Experience in addition to the Spring Trip. There was a discussion about rotating the trips each year, so that students who moved from 7th to 8th weren't repeating the same program. The Fall Experience would be local and low-cost. The Board requested a proposal, alongside a budget, acknowledging that nothing would happen until next year regarding changes with the trips.

IX. Adjournment

6:32 p.m.