

**Governing Board Minutes
February 11, 2025
Via Zoom/ in person**

Call to Order: President Dederling called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM. Voting members Reiter, Mogenson, Sixel, Palmer, and Dederling were present. Advisory member Sue Steiner was present. Member Vicmary Molina and non-voting member Randy Koppenhaver were absent. Also present were Principal Sarah Scovell-Muraski and program director Jen Owen.

A moment of silence was held for member John Mitchell who had passed away before the meeting. Thanks were offered for his kindness and efforts on behalf of the school, the students, and the community.

Secretary Report: On a motion by Elaine Reiter with a second by Deb Sixel the minutes as presented by Secretary Palmer were unanimously approved.

Treasurer Report:

Treasurer Reiter notes: Although things look quite different this month we are approximately where we should be for this time of year. Under supplies for BTLVA last month's total was while this month it is \$63,092.41. Charles Achter explained that this money was reclassified to more appropriately reflect an invoice for purchased services from Wisconsin Eschool network.

On a motion by Deb Sixel with a second by Eileen Palmer, the Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

Kiel ESchool Report:

KeS FT Resident	10
KeS FT Open Enrolled	18
Partner FT	93
Partner PT	65

Special Education: 6 (3 OE, 3 Partner)

By comparison:

KeS FT R&OE 22-23:	12
23-24:	28

KHS Requested enrollments	426	493
KHS Summer School	27	61
Total KHS Enrollments*	453	554

*this year's numbers will fluctuate

Between the Lakes Virtual Academy Report:

Blended (offline)Program: 52

Online Students:

20 Kiel/OE

Partner: 35

Total Online: 55

Total students: 107

Special Education: 7 (4 SLP only)

(+2 in process) PT Partner: 5

Year	24-25	11/12/24
<u>BTLVA</u> FT Open Enrolled Blended	65	55
<u>BTLVA</u> FT Resident Blended	12	8*
<u>BTLVA</u> Online Resident	1	3*
<u>BTLVA</u> Online Open Enrollment	12	15
<u>BTLVA</u> Online Open Enrollment Special Ed	5*	6 
<u>BTLVA</u> FT Partner – Gen Ed	20	30
<u>BTLVA</u> FT Partner - Spec Ed	1	1
<u>BTLVA</u> PT Partner	3	3

Partnerships:

Barron*

Brillion*

Genoa City (4K-8)*

Herman-Neosho-Rubicon (HNR)

Horicon*

Hustisford

Luxemburg-Casco*

Mishicot

Omro*

Oostburg*

Osseo-Fairchild

Portage

Pulaski

Random Lake*

West De Pere

Weston

Whitefish Bay

Winneconne

Darien/Delavan*

Sevastopol*

St. Thomas Aquinas*

Fall River *

Racine Unified *
Howard-Suamico *
Partners: 24 (+1)

Inquiries: Frederic, West Allis West Milwaukee, Tomahawk, Sugar Hill Charter, Maple, Heartland, Clayton, Blackhawk, Algoma, Sturgeon Bay

Old Business:

A Peek into the Virtual Program:

The effects of AI on virtual learning (and how we combat it) -Our schools are in the middle of the road in wanting between embracing AI and fearing it's use. We want to take advantage of its benefits but not lose the voice of the student. Jen Owen spoke about Turnitin which is a tool that teachers use to check for similarities between what a student turns in and what is available on the internet. The program also flags the possibility of "white text" and other language letters which sometimes are used by students to avoid being caught copying.

Convention recap –

Jennifer Owen and Sarah Scovell Muraski had a busy but productive two days in Milwaukee at the WASB Convention which resulted in the inquiries listed above. Principal Scovell-Muraski has followed up with those schools.

Planetarium event (2/5) for BTLVA students (Sarah SM)

19 registered students and (future student siblings) and parents were included. On February 12 at Zielanis Elementary School there will be another presentation.

New Business

Act 20 Update: Almost all of the BTLVA screening has been completed. Teachers were encouraged to practice a face-to-face reading activity to prepare the students. It has changed the way elementary teachers conduct their one-on-ones. Data collection is ongoing. The team has identified intervention strategies for students who are a little low. A low score on the ORF (Oral Reading Fluency: how many words the student can read at grade level in one minute) triggers a Personal Reading Plan.

Charter Renewal Draft: On a motion by Eileen Palmer with a second by Elaine Reiter the Charter Renewal Draft was approved to be sent to DPI.

Executive Session: On a motion by Eileen Palmer with a second by Don Mogenson, the board adjourned into the executive session at 10:21. On a motion by Don Mogenson with a second by Eileen Palmer, the governing board adjourned out of executive session at 10:48.

Adjournment: On a motion by Dennis Dederling with a second by Deb Sixel there was unanimous support for adjournment at 10:49AM.