

**Minutes – January 14, 2026**  
**South Buffalo Charter School**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

Members Present:

In Person: Chris Schafer, Jen Mack, Matt Szalkowski, Anne Marie Tryjankowski

Virtual: Kathy Linhardt, Carine Merritt

Members Absent: None.

Public Comment: None.

Presentation: None.

Board Reports:

- Executive Committee – No meeting. Email to be sent re: pending tax issue.
- Academic Committee – No meeting. State assessment data received and to be reviewed with follow-up questions.
- Facility Committee – No meeting.
- Finance Committee – Met. No issues. Finance committee will co-chair with Facility Committee next month re: upcoming projects.
- Human Resources/Appeals Committee – No meeting.

New Business:

- Motion to approve the minutes from the Board Meeting on December 10, 2025, was made by Anne Marie Tryjankowski; seconded by Jen Mack. Vote: All in favor.
- Enrollment Summary – See attached. Also noted that the Board would like quarterly reports to compare to prior year.
- Superintendent’s Report – See attached.
- Consensus Agenda
  - Motion to approve the SBCS Schedule of Bills, Balance Sheet, Board monthly Income Statement, Statement of Revenues and Expenditures, Statement of Cash Flows and Check Register for December 2025; and the 154 South Ogden, LLC Balance Sheet, Statement of Revenue and Expenditures/Income Statement and Check Register for December 2025 was made by Matt Szalkowski; seconded by Jen Mack. Vote: All in favor.
- Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Anne Marie Tryjankowski; seconded by Matt Szalkowski. Vote: All in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

## Superintendent's Report

January 2026

December 23rd brought our quarterly "Unity Games." Unity Games are a series of competitions that allows students to work together as a homeroom to take back the "Unity Trophy." The games included various relay races, stacking challenges and even some "Human Bowling!"

Led by administration, teachers took the opportunity to review the most recent I-Ready diagnostic data and set individual students' target scores for the remainder of the school year. This work will also allow teachers to group their students during RTI by the domains that they share the same weaknesses in. This has proven very successful in the past!

Carole Taggart led the Christmas drive, and it was a huge success this year. We were able to help 120 children from 48 of our families. This is up 30% from last year. Everyone that requested support received it. Sponsors included staff members, family of staff members and friends of staff members, even some subs and student teachers. In addition, we were given the opportunity to select 5 separate families to participate in the Barbara Billups Memorial Christmas House toy give away through the Greater Works Christian Fellowship. So in all, 53 of our families were provided assistance for the holidays.

The Literacy Liaison Committee met on December 3. They completed a survey about PLC's created by a Harvard University student. This survey was part of his research for his doctorate degree. Grade level SMART goals were reviewed and tweaked. These will be shared with grade levels at the next Literacy Liaison grade level meetings.

Select members of the band and chorus performed in the lobby of Mercy hospital on Monday December 22nd for employees and patients. Some pictures on the last page of this report. Thank you to Mr. Fletcher (chorus teacher) and Mr. Anable (band teacher) for putting this together.

The PTO held the Merry Moose Shop in the small gym on December 11 and 12. Students were given an opportunity to shop for their families.

SBCS Admin put together the 12 Days of Holiday Cheer for the staff. Each day leading up to winter break, staff received something ranging from a free dress down day

certificate, a candy bar, a snack cart and extra planning time to the SBCS ¼ zip sweatshirts that were ordered earlier in the year.

We held a faculty meeting on December 17 to review the behavior data for the first four months of the school year.

Total by District:

Amherst Central School District	1 (-3)
Buffalo City School District	742 (+1)
Cheektowaga Central School District	17
Cheektowaga-Sloan Union Free School D	19
Cleveland Hill Union Free School District	5
Depew Union Free School District	4
Frontier Central School District	4
Hamburg Central School District	2
Lackawanna City School District	64
Lockport City School District	<u>2</u>
Maryvale Union Free School District	5
Orchard Park	1
West Seneca Central School District	21
	887 (-2)

Enrollment Summary as 1/5/26

K- 91 (-1)

1 - 95

2 - 101 (-1)

3 - 100

4 - 103

5 - 101 (-1)

6 - 101 (+1)

7- 97

8- 97

Total : 887 (-2)

1 student home schooling

2 students Buffalo (Lorraine #72 and Southside #93)







# Dr. George B. Moore HOLIDAY MUSIC SERIES

- Tuesday, 12/2 - 11:00am - Ruth Wurster w/ Holiday Tree Lighting - Main Lobby
- Wednesday, 12/3
  - 11:00am - East Aurora Middle & High School - Main Lobby
  - 12:00pm - 1:00pm - Nore Worthy Concertante - Main Lobby
  - 3:00pm - 4:00pm - Pianist Noah Blatt - Main Lobby
- Friday, 12/5 - 2:00pm - Declan & Miles Armstrong w/ Special Guest: Eleanor Renner - Main Lobby
- Tuesday, 12/9 - 10:00am - 12:00pm - Ruth Wurster - Main Lobby
- Wednesday, 12/10
  - 11:00am - 12:00pm - Amherst Chamber Trio - Main Lobby
  - 1:00pm - Bishop Timon High School - Main Lobby
- Thursday, 12/11 - 11:00am - 1:00pm - Global Concepts Charter School Jazz Ensemble (During Holiday Luncheon) - Cafeteria
- Friday, 12/12 - 12:00pm - 1:00pm - Iroquois Central Schools - Concert Choir - Main Lobby
- Monday, 12/15
  - Time TBD - Mount Mercy Academy - Main Lobby
  - 12:00pm - 1:00pm - Donna Benshead - Main Lobby
  - 3:30pm - Orchard Park Middle School - Main Lobby
  - 5:00pm - Girl Scout Troop 31370 - Main Lobby
- Wednesday, 12/17
  - 9:30am - Lancaster Central - Swingin' Strings - Main Lobby
  - 3:00pm - 4:00pm - Pianist Noah Blatt - Main Lobby
- Thursday, 12/18 - 2:00pm - Bello Voice Studio - Main Lobby
- Friday, 12/19
  - 10:00am - West Seneca West Vocal Jazz - Main Lobby
  - 11:15am - Lackawanna High School - Main Lobby
- Monday, 12/22 - 10:00am - 12:00pm - South Buffalo Charter School - Main Lobby
- Tuesday, 12/23
  - 10:00am - 11:00am - Frontier High School - Main Lobby
  - 12:00pm - Grace Koncickowski - Main Lobby

