

**Board of Trustees
September 24, 2025, 1:30 pm**

**BraveBe Child Advocacy Center
5025 Garland Street, Lincoln, NE 68504
Minutes**

Trustees Present: (9) Yinka Akinyemi, Blake Anderson, Quentin Brown, Michael Ferris M.D., John Goldrich, Dan Marvin, Michelle Petersen M.D., Michelle Suarez, Scott Young

Trustees Absent: (6) Russ Gronewold, Tyler DeJong, Kerry Kernen, Greer McCurley, John Thompson, John Reinhardt

Staff Present: (2) Kate Bolz, Morgan Hermanek

Special Guest: (0)

Welcome: M. Petersen called the meeting to order at 1:31pm

Approval of the Agenda

Motion: **M. Petersen called for a motion** to approve the agenda

D. Marvin moved and J. Goldrich seconded. No further discussion. **All voting members (8) were in favor** (Akinyemi, Anderson, Brown, Ferris, Goldrich, Marvin, Petersen, Suarez). **No:** None.

Abstentions: None. **Motion passed.**

Approval of the Minutes for August 27, 2025.

Motion: **M. Petersen called for a motion** to approve the minutes. **M. Ferris moved, and D. Marvin seconded.** No further discussion. **All voting members (8) were in favor** (Akinyemi, Anderson, Brown, Ferris, Goldrich, Marvin, Petersen, Suarez). **No:** None. **Abstentions:** None. **Motion passed.**

Public Comment

The Community Health Endowment is subject to and abides by the Open Meetings Act. Members of the public have a right to attend and the right to speak at meetings. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall of the Lori Vrtiska Seibel Community Meeting Room.

S. Young joined the meeting at 1:34pm.

1. Chair's Report.

- a. Board Roles and Responsibilities. M. Petersen pointed the board to the first section of the board packet. K. Bolz reviewed the NE state statute, Lincoln municipal code, the CHE Conflict of Interest Policy, and the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Policy. Finally, K. Bolz outlined CHE's mission and values, to which CHE Board of Trustees are expected to uphold. This is an annual review that was recommended by the Board Development Committee.

- b. Scorecard Approval. At the August 27, 2025 board meeting, K. Bolz provided a summary of accomplishments of CHE from the previous fiscal year, and outlined a proposed “scorecard” for the upcoming fiscal year, which includes goals and measures. Trustees were asked to show support for this shared work through a vote.

Motion: **M. Petersen called for a motion** to accept the Scorecard as presented. **Q. Brown moved** and **D. Marvin seconded**. No further discussion. **All voting members (9) were in favor** (Akinyemi, Anderson, Brown, Ferris, Goldrich, Marvin, Petersen, Suarez, Young). **No:** None. **Abstentions:** None. **Motion passed.**

2. President’s Report.

- a. President’s Report. K. Bolz provided some takeaways from the Fiducient Investment conference. There was discussion around the Fiducient/Madison Dearborn Partners acquisition, of which there was no concern.
- b. Upcoming Meetings and Events. K. Bolz noted that meetings for the next year have been scheduled. Kyra will be sending calendar invitations.

3. Investment & Finance Committee.

- a. Treasurer’s Report for August 2025. B. Anderson noted that August is 100% of the budget year, and we ended right at 100% despite an unexpected HVAC repair that cost over \$10,000 in August, causing that line-item to run over the budgeted amount.

M. Petersen acknowledged the Treasurer’s Report.

- b. Fiducient Monthly Performance Report for August 2025. B. Anderson discussed Fiducient’s performance report and the current state of our individuals managers/funds. CHE’s portfolio experienced a 2% return in August. CHE’s total ending market value on August 31, 2025, was approximately \$78.44 million.

4. Funding Committee.

Motion: **M. Petersen called for a motion** to add an asterisk next to the contract extension item on the meeting agenda under the Funding Committee Report, since it will require a vote. **S. Young moved** and **J. Goldrich seconded**. No further discussion. **All voting members (9) were in favor** (Akinyemi, Anderson, Brown, Ferris, Goldrich, Marvin, Petersen, Suarez, Young). **No:** None. **Abstentions:** None. **Motion passed.**

- a. Contract Extensions. **S. Young moved** to approve the contract extension for Meadowlane Pool (*Healthy, Fit, and Connected at Meadowlane Pool* project) for \$40,000 until December 31, 2026. **J. Goldrich seconded**, and **all voting members (9) were in favor** (Akinyemi, Anderson, Brown, Ferris, Goldrich, Marvin, Petersen, Suarez, Young). **No:** None. **Abstentions:** None. **Motion passed.**

- b. Funding Committee #1 Report. M. Petersen provided a report on the recent activities of the committee. Their first application review of the Fall 2025 cycle was reviewed in September, and the second meeting will occur in October. The final decisions will be brought forth to the full board at the October board meeting for a vote.

Additionally, M. Peterson provided an update regarding the priority project procedure, (previously “Legacy Project”). The committee worked on updating the standard procedure of how staff and the board will approach projects that are priorities moving forward.

5. Administration Committee.

- a. Performance Survey Memo. M. Suarez reviewed the upcoming President/CEO evaluation process. Trustees were reminded that they will receive a survey to their email which they should complete by October 3. The Admin committee will come prepared to make a recommendation for K. Bolz’s updated employment contract during executive session at the October 22 meeting.

6. Board Development Committee.

- a. Board Officer and Chair Slate Recommendation. *** The motion to approve the board officers and committee chairs was presented by the Board Development Committee and all voting members (9) were in favor** (Akinyemi, Anderson, Brown, Ferris, Goldrich, Marvin, Petersen, Suarez, Young). **No:** None. **Abstentions:** None. **Motion passed.**

Chair	Russ Gronewold
Vice-Chair	Blake Anderson
Secretary	Michelle Suarez
Treasurer	Tyler DeJong

Funding Committee Chair	Michelle Petersen
Finance Committee Chair	Blake Anderson & Tyler DeJong (Co-Chairs)
Administration Committee Chair	Michelle Suarez
Audit Committee Chair	Tyler DeJong

7. Correspondence, Announcements and Other.

- a. Other. K. Bolz relayed information that R. Gronewold is not planning to change the committee assignments for the new year. Trustees were instructed to let Bolz or Gronewold know if they would like to change their assigned committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:36pm.