



Governing Board Meeting Minutes January 28, 2025

Hybrid/Zoom Meeting: <https://bertnash-org.zoom.us/j/84013358406?pwd=NLEe7qaa3ebziEj46yw498JHrg05Ey.I>

Members Present:

Patrick Schmitz, President & CEO
Matthew Herbert, Chair
Ehren Feldmeyer
Kat Couvillon
Tina Rosenthal

Kirsten Kuhn
Kristin Magette
Josh Davis
Clay Britton
Christina Haswood
Ron Schneider
Kristina Edwards

Members Absent:

Barbara Ballard
Jay Armbrister

Staff Present:

Carrie Combs, Director, Executive Administration
Stephen O’Neill, Chief Operations & Strategy Officer
Amalia Mendez, Senior HR Director

Emily Farley, Chief Advancement Officer
Mike Meigs, Senior Director of Finance and Admin.

Others Present:

Tricia Masenthin, The Lawrence Times
Paul Satterwhite, Spencer Fane

I. Call to Order

Matthew Herbert called the meeting to order at 7:30 am.

II. Online Meeting Guideline Review

III. Public Comment

There were no members of the public present.

IV. Welcome New Board Member – Ron Schneider

V. Consent Agenda

Matthew Herbert requested a motion to approve the consent agenda (December minutes Special December Meeting Minutes, November Financials, Building Bert Nash Report & January CEO Report); so moved by Tina Rosenthal; seconded by Kat Couvillon; approved by all.

VI. Reports

a. Matthew Herbert, Chair

- Matthew thanked board members for attending the Year End Donor Event.

b. Patrick Schmitz, President & CEO

- The legislative session is expected to conclude by the end of April, which is earlier than originally anticipated.
- Patrick will be testifying before a subcommittee on Thursday and expects to do so several more times in the near future.

- c. Emily Farley, Chief Advancement Officer
- Emily expressed her gratitude, echoing Matthew's appreciation, to the board members who attended last night's event.
 - Emily invited board members to participate in the upcoming Discover Bert Nash Tours, encouraging them host or attend one.
 - The Bert Nash Center's 75th Anniversary will be celebrated at the Watkins Museum, with an exhibit running from April 18 through the end of May. The Pioneer Celebration is scheduled for May 5th.

VII. Other Items

a. Reminder to Sign Code of Conduct

VIII. Action Item

a. Vote to Approve Naming Policy

- BNC was presented with a naming opportunity for the Youth Recovery Center – The Judge Jean Shepherd Youth Recovery Center.

Matthew Herbert requested a motion to approve the Naming Policy, so moved Josh Davis, seconded by Kat Couvillon; approved by all.

b. Vote to Approve Gift Acceptance Policy

- BNC already has a high-level gift acceptance policy, but this policy dives a little deeper into this as we move forward with more advanced fundraising through the capital campaign.

Matthew Herbert requested a motion to approve the Gift Acceptance Policy, so moved Kristin Magette, seconded by Tina Rosenthal; approved by all.

IX. Executive Session – Personnel Matters

Matthew Herbert requested a motion to move into Executive Session for personal matters for 30 minutes; seconded by Kirsten Kuhn, approved by all. Moved into Executive Session at 7:53 am.

Attendance: Kirsten Kuhn, Christina Haswood, Ron Schneider, Josh Davis, Carrie Combs, Patrick Schmitz, Emily Farley, Matthew Herbert, Mike Meigs, Amalia Mendez, Kristen Magette, Ehren Feldmeyer, Clay Britton, Kat Couvillon, Paul Satterwhite, Stephen O'Neill, Tina Rosenthal

Matthew Herbert requested a motion to move out of Executive Session for personal matters; seconded by Clay Britton, approved by all. Moved into Executive Session at 8:23 am.

X. Adjourn

Matthew Herbert requested a motion to adjourn; seconded by Tina Rosenthal, approved by all. Meeting adjourned at 8:26 am.

The next Bert Nash Governing Board meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 25 from 7:30-9:00 am via Zoom/in person.