



Brooklyn RISE Charter School

Brooklyn RISE Board Meeting

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Amended on July 30, 2025 at 7:01 PM EDT

Date and Time

Wednesday July 30, 2025 at 7:00 PM EDT

Location

9 Hanover Place, Brooklyn, NY 11201

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			7:00 PM
A. Call the Meeting to Order		Katie Zaunbrecher	1 m
B. Record Attendance		Katie Zaunbrecher	1 m
C. Review Meeting Procedures		Laura Zhang	3 m
D. Approve June 2025 meeting minutes	Approve Minutes	Katie Zaunbrecher	2 m

II. Municipal Bond Conversation with Barone

Scott is joining the meeting to discuss his proposal of moving forward with municipal bonds as a funding option for our forever facility project.

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III. Finance Update			7:07 PM
A. Review Finance Dashboard	Discuss		20 m

IV. Head of School Update **7:27 PM**

Dear Founding Board of Trustees,

July was a short month for our school as it was summer recess for the majority of our staff. However, there are some important updates to share below!

- **Facilities:** There was some follow-up environmental testing required at the forever facility site, foundation work has not yet begun until that is complete, which was anticipated to happen by the end of August. We have taken on some additional space within the 9 Hanover Place building on the first floor to be used for health/fitness classes.
- **Students:** We added 10 additional new students over the summer, however we also learned of about 5 student withdrawals, which brings our current enrollment number to 355 (25 students from our goal). We will continue to push over the next month to hopefully get at least 5 additional kindergarten kiddos before the school year begins so that we can be at 42 for Kindergarten enrollment. It does look increasingly unlikely that we hit 380 students this year, so we want to make budget adjustments accordingly.
- **Staff:** All non-instructional staff are back at work preparing for the new staff to return on 8/8 and the entire staff to be back on 8/11. We did have one staffing change occur over the summer that I will update the Team on.

Looking forward to discussing more tonight!

Together we RISE,
Cary

A. Recent community incidents	Discuss	Cary Finnegan	15 m
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V. Academic Update **7:42 PM**

A. Updates	FYI	Bianca Cabrera	5 m
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Updated the [academic dashboard](#) to reflect the goals of the charter.
Will have data ready to present by next board meeting.

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VI. Governance Update			7:47 PM
A. Reminder re: annual Conflict of Interest Disclosure	FYI	Katie Zaunbrecher	3 m
VII. Facilities Update			
VIII. Any Other Business			
IX. Public Comment			
X. Closing Items			7:50 PM
A. Adjourn Meeting	FYI	Katie Zaunbrecher	2 m