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# The Charter High School for Law and Social Justice (CHSLSJ)

## Minutes

### Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Thursday May 20, 2021 at 6:00 PM

#### Location

Zoom - <https://zoom.us/j/6865417959>

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#### Directors Present

C. Bannerman (remote), D. O'Rourke (remote), D. Sang (remote), J. Azriliant (remote), J. Callahan (remote), J. Saunders (remote), L. Tse (remote), R. Marsico (remote), S. Fuentes (remote)

#### Directors Absent

*None*

#### Guests Present

F. Buckman (remote), I. Galante (remote), Leslie Lopez (remote), N. Galante (remote), R. Burke (remote), R. Sharpe (remote)

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Callahan called a meeting of the board of directors of The Charter High School for Law and Social Justice (CHLSJ) to order on Thursday May 20, 2021 at 6:10 PM.

### **C. Approve Minutes**

J. Callahan made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 04-15-21.

R. Marsico seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

## **II. Executive Director**

### **A. School Updates**

Mr. Burke then reviewed the Dashboard. Mr. Burke talked about Graduation, which will be held on June 17 at the College of Mt. St. Vincent. Mr. Burke spoke about how great it was seeing the Seniors at the BBQ.

## **III. Chairman Report**

### **A. Report**

Mr. Callahan then went into details about the situation at the Parish with the Pastor being on leave and how we hoped it would not slow our construction approvals, but he hoped it would move forward as planned.

## **IV. Committe Reports**

### **A. Finance**

Mr. Burke began reviewing the financials and shared his screen. Mr. Burke said that our finances are in good shape. Mr. Burke mentioned that there had been a Finance Committee phone call earlier in the week that went into great detail on the financials. He reviewed the main points of the Financials, and there were no questions. Mr. Burke pulled up the draft budget for the 21-22 school year and went into the main details. He stated the Finance Committee had gone over the budget in great detail. He asked if anyone wanted to discuss this further he was available. It will be voted on at the June meeting.

### **B. Academic**

Mr. Callahan asked Ms. Fuentes if she would be Co-chair with Mr. Saunders which she agreed. Mr. Saunders mentioned that the Committee would meet next month.

### **C. Fundraising**

No meeting. Mr. Callahan said that there would be more planning once we are back in person.

### **D. Governance**

Mr. Callahan spoke about the Governance Committee meeting held on Tuesday night and that it was looking into a Board Retreat and looking for new members.

## V. New Business

### A. Adding Charmone Adams to the Board

R. Marsico made a motion to Add Charmone Adams to the Board.

L. Tse seconded the motion.

Mr. Callahan asked if everyone had reviewed all Mr. Adams's documents and any questions or comments. No comments were made. Mr. Callahan mentioned that Charmone Adams had attended the April and May Board meeting, introduced himself, and spoke of his background. Mr. Callahan asked if everyone had read the resolution, which was confirmed, and he asked for a motion. Mr. Marsico moved, and Ms. Tse seconded. The Board approved the resolution:

RESOLUTIONS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL FOR LAW AND SOCIAL JUSTICE The Charter High School for Law and Social Justice Board of Trustees, having conducted a thorough background check visa a fingerprint scan as required and having discovered no State or Federal criminal history, or have provided such history to SED if found, has voted to elect Charmone Adams, as final candidates to its Board of Trustees, with a term expiring on June 30, 2022, pending approval by SED.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

### B. Summer Construction

J. Saunders made a motion to Approve work Friends of CHSLSJ planning on doing.

C. Bannerman seconded the motion.

Mr. Callahan then said he would move to the 2nd resolution. He talked about the work this summer and reminded everyone of past meetings where he discussed the details. He asked for a motion approving the work Friends of CHSLSJ planned on doing. Mr. Saunders moved, seconded by Mr. Bannerman, and approved by the Board.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL FOR LAW AND SOCIAL JUSTICE Whereas The Charter High School for Law and Social Justice (the school) desires to renovate the existing schoolyard and the existing façade and entryway during the summer of 2021; Whereas funding for the proposed work has been and/or will be obtained by the Friends of The Charter High School for Law and Social Justice (FO) as NYC school facility support funding that is incorporated into the lease agreement between FO and the school; Whereas plans and elevations for the proposed work have been produced by a registered architect and reviewed by the School Board, and have been further prepared for submittal to the NYC Department of Buildings for approval and permit; Whereas bids from appropriate licensed and insured contractors have been assembled by the FO board; Therefore, it is resolved that the School Board approves of this project and authorizes the FO Board and school leadership to proceed.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

## **VI. Public Statements**

### **A. Statements from Members of the Public**

Mr. Callahan suggested moving the Shared Space presentation up to permit them to leave if they wished, and everyone agreed. Mr. Callahan introduced Izzy Galante and Nicole Galante from Shared Space, who started introducing themselves, their work, and their relationship with Mr. Burke at his past schools. They then proceeded with their Mid-year visit report and talked about the next steps after answering the Board's questions.

## **VII. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
R. Marsico

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