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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 August 19, 2021 at 6:00 PM

#### Location

1960 University Avenue, Bronx, New York, 10453

OR

If you would like to join by Zoom please email [AMockabee@chslsj.org](mailto:AMockabee@chslsj.org) for more information

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#### Directors Present

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

#### Directors Absent

J. Azriliant

#### Guests Present

R. Burke, R. Sharpe (remote), V. Soler

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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 Aug 19, 2021 at 6:05 PM.

### **C. Approve Minutes**

J. Callahan made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 07-15-21.

R. Marsico seconded the motion.

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

### **D. Consent of Agenda**

Mr. Callahan asked if anyone had any questions on the Agenda, and there were some comments that too much info was given to them on new hires, but no one had issues with any of the hires, so it was accepted. Mr. Callahan asked for an overview of hiring, and Mr. Burke went into details about the hiring efforts.

## **II. Executive Director**

### **A. School Updates**

Mr. Burke reviewed the Dashboard. Mr. Burke reviewed the Summer PD with our staff. He reviewed hiring and the difficulty of finding suitable candidates and the plans for Reentering the building and COVID precautions.

## **III. Chairman Report**

### **A. Report**

Mr. Callahan reviewed details about this summer construction and asked Mr. Burke to speak about the muralist who will work with our students to do a mural in the back. Mr. Callahan spoke about the Board retreat on September 18 and Mr. Callahan mentioned that he and Mr. Sang had spoken with Mr. Rivera, who coordinates the Retreat. Mr. Sand asked that if any Board members have questions to send them to him. There was a discussion of our effort to start a Library at the school, and Mr. Marsico had a friend who would donate books.

## **IV. Committe Reports**

### **A. Finance**

Mr. Burke began revieweing the financials and shared his screen. Mr. Burke said that our finances are in good shape with 150 days of cash on hand. 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.

### **B. Academic**

Mr. Saunders reviewed items from the Academic Committee meeting, which met at 5 PM earlier in the evening. Mr. Saunders stated that they had a very productive meeting with Mr. Burke, Ms. Runco, the new Principal, and Ms. Sharpe about action steps to move the scholars returning into the building after the COVID remote learning 1.5 years out.

**C. Fundraising**

No meeting and Mr. Callahan mentioned that Mr. Burke had sent out a Development Plan, and several Committee members stated that they had looked at it, and it seemed like a good start. There would be more planning and hopefully a meeting by the end of September.

**D. Governance**

No meeting.

**V. New Business**

**A. Board Development Concept**

Mr. Callahan spoke about a Board Development Concept of doing training before the meeting for Board members who want to attend. Mr. Callahan listed several topics to cover items for board development.

**VI. 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 6:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
D. O'Rourke

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