

APPROVED



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

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday September 16, 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 for more information

Directors Present

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

Directors Absent

C. Adams, C. Bannerman, J. Azriliant

Guests Present

R. Burke, V. Soler

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 (CHSLSJ) to order on Thursday Sep 16, 2021 at 6:05 PM.

Mr. Callahan welcomed and called the meeting to order, thanked everyone for attending.

Mr. Callahan thanked Amay Wallace for her Board Development presentation on the Street Law and NYL School partnership and in school classes.

Mr. Callahan reminded the board that they would meet early on many upcoming Thursday meeting dates to continue the Board Development Plan. The next meeting will be with Mr. Digant Bahl, the Financial Consultant, who will review the Charter School financing and other financial issues.

Mr. Callahan then spoke about the Board Retreat on September 18 in the school and how that was also part of the Board Development plan.

C. Approve Minutes

J. Callahan made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 08-19-21.

R. Marsico seconded the motion.

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

D. Consent of Agenda

Mr. Callahan asked if anyone had any questions on the Consent of Agenda, and he mentioned that Mr. Marsico had wanted to talk about the Union Contract. A discussion followed, with everyone approving the new contract.

II. Executive Director

A. School Updates

Mr. Burke spoke about the opening of the school, the summer PD, and how smoothly everything was moving. Mr. Burke talked about the STAR testing that was now ongoing. He reviewed hiring and the difficulty of finding suitable candidates. Mr. Burke spoke about the positivity of staff and scholars. He stated that enrollment is at 441.

Mr. Callahan asked about vaccinations in the school. Mr. Burke reported that we are pushing hard, but we only know of 42 vaccinations and have 67 permission slips for testing. We expect many more vaccinations with sports and after-school clubs starting soon.

III. Chairman Report

A. Report

Mr. Callahan then reviewed details about the construction and the Saturday Board Retreat.

Mr. Callahan asked Mr. Burke about the help for the gardens from Bronx Botanical Gardens, and he mentioned the muralist Alice Mizrachi.

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 with 178 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

Ms. Fuentes mentioned there is no meeting until after STAR testing is completed.

C. Fundraising

No meeting, and Mr. Callahan mentioned that this would happen in September.

D. Governance

V. New Business

A. Columbia Business School Volunteers

Mr. Sang discussed the possibility of using Columbia Business School Volunteers.

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 7:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
D. O'Rourke

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