



# American Dream Charter School

## Minutes

### ADCS Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting

SY24-25

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#### Date and Time

Monday November 18, 2024 at 5:00 PM

#### Location

403 Concord Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10454

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#### Trustees Present

A. Cabrera (remote), L. Rojas, P. Simon (remote), R. Espinal (remote), Z. Martinez (remote)

#### Trustees Absent

*None*

#### Guests Present

S. Espinal

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

L. Rojas called a meeting of the board of trustees of American Dream Charter School to order on Monday Nov 18, 2024 at 5:46 PM.

### **C. Approve Minutes**

L. Rojas made a motion to approve the minutes from ADCS Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting on 10-21-24.

R. Espinal seconded the motion.

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

## **II. Educational Success**

### **A. BENCHMARK 1: Student Performance**

- Data
  - Lucas is preparing an analysis that will be presented to the board soon.

### **B. BENCHMARK 2: Teaching and Learning**

### **C. BENCHMARK 3: Culture, Climate, and Student and Family Engagement**

- College Counseling Update-Dr. M. Melkonian
  - We are working with a consultant for the college office. His contract is due soon.
  - The college office is ahead of all of its deadlines.

## **III. Organizational Soundness**

### **A. BENCHMARK 4: Financial Condition**

### **B. BENCHMARK 5: Financial Management**

- Chase Bank Updates - N. Gallage
  - Chase account balances given by N. Gallagher
  - We will open a new Chase checking account and change the savings account to Flagstar Bank. We are sorting out the Chase bank account issues.

### **C. BENCHMARK 6: Board Oversight and Governance:**

- Present revised annual goals - N. Gallager
  - We have to indicate in the annual report whether we have met student performance goals.
  - The scoring will be determined by Met, Not Met, and Unable to access.
  - Revised goals to meet:

- All students graduating from ADCS will graduate with a Regents Diploma with a score of 65 or above on four regents exams or meeting the criteria for any state-approved alternative pathways.
- A majority of ENL students enrolled for at least two years at ADS who take the NYSESLAT will move up at least one level each year until they reach commanding.
- Including regents passage as "proficient" students who take and pass a regents exam will. What counts as proficient and broadening that.
- Remove CUNY Proficiency:
  - CUNY data: College team to tell us what CUNY colleges honor AP Exams, what score they take and from our past classes who received credit.

L. Rojas made a motion to Approve annual goals.

P. Simon seconded the motion.

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

#### **D. BENCHMARK 7: Organizational Capacity**

### **IV. Faithfulness to Charter & Law**

#### **A. BENCHMARK 8: Mission and Key Design Elements**

#### **B. BENCHMARK 9: Enrollment, Recruitment, and Retention**

##### **• Projected Enrollment update for SY24-25**

- 6th grade - 89
- 7th grade - 88
- 8th grade - 87
- 9th grade - 96
- 10th grade - 98
- 11th grade - 80
- 12th grade - 65
- total projected enrollment: 604 students

#### **C. BENCHMARK 10: Legal Compliance**

### **V. 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 6:17 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

L. Rojas