APPROVED

American Dream Charter School

Minutes

ADCS II Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting

SY24-25

Date and Time
Monday April 21, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Location
403 Concord Avenue
Bronx, NY 10454

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

Trustees Absent
None

Guests Present
M. Melkonian (remote), N. Gallagher (remote), S. Espinal

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 Apr 21, 2025 at 6:00 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

L. Rojas made a motion to approve the minutes from ADCS II Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting on 03-17-25.
R. Espinal seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Startup Activities

ADCS2 High School Update

- In April, **our grade expansion was officially approved**, and **American Dream Charter School 2 (ADCS2)** will now serve grades **9–12**.
- This required letters of support from **Community School District 6**, and we successfully completed that process.

Grants & Funding Update

- We **did not receive the NewSchools Venture Fund grant** this round. While disappointing, we're continuing to pursue other opportunities.
- The **next major grant** we plan to apply for is the **CSP (Charter Schools Program)** grant from New York State. The RFP hasn't been released yet.
- NewSchools also shared a list of **other potential grants**, and we'll be reviewing and applying where possible.

II. Facility

A. Facilities Update

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- We've restarted discussions with **Civic Builders** to secure a **permanent space** for ADCS2.
- The final steps to **move out of St. Elizabeth** are underway and being handled.

III. Finance

A. Financial Conditions

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- Financial update given by NG.

Closing Notes

- Please reach out if you know **donors or grant opportunities** that can help support ADCS2.
- We're excited for what's ahead and appreciate everyone's continued support as we build towards opening ADCS2 High School.

IV. 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 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
L. Rojas