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New Heights Academy Charter School

Minutes

Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Date and Time
Thursday March 26, 2026 at 6:30 PM

Location
1818 Amsterdam Avenue

Trustees Present
A. Cummings, D. Ortiz, M. Vargas, R. Zumaya

Trustees Absent
None

Guests Present
Emmanuel Alagbon, Fred Givens, K. Valbrun, L. Garcia, Michelle Anderson, W. Ramos (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

A. Cummings called a meeting of the board of trustees of New Heights Academy Charter School to order on Thursday Mar 26, 2026 at 7:30 PM.

II. Board Elections

A.

Vote on New Trustees

Trustee Nomination

- The Board clarified that **no formal vote to seat a trustee** could occur without approval from the authorizer (NYC DOE).
- The purpose of this item was to **express intent to nominate**.

Candidate Presentation

- **Dr. Michelle Anderson** shared:
  - Prior experience with the school
  - Strong institutional knowledge
  - Commitment to partnerships and community connections

Board Discussion Highlights

- Questions focused on:
  - Transitioning from former employee to trustee role
  - Maintaining objectivity and governance boundaries

A. Cummings made a motion to nominate Dr. Michelle Anderson as trustee.
M. Vargas seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

III. 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 7:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
W. Ramos