Summit Academy Charter School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday March 12, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Location
27 Huntington Street Brooklyn, NY 11231

Trustees Present
M. Bernard, M. Washington, N. Campbell, N. Dominguez, R. Watson, Y. Houlder

Trustees Absent
F. Mitchell, R. Guarini

Guests Present
C. Swift, Chad Bascombe, Dytanya Mixson, Iveliz Colon, Jamieson Costello, Spencer Tibbals, Stephanie Douglas, Stephen Paul, Tracey Pinkard

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

M. Bernard called a meeting of the board of trustees of Summit Academy Charter School to order on Tuesday Mar 12, 2019 at 7:03 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

• Change the board meeting date to Feb. 21, 2019

R. Watson made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 02-21-19
Board Meeting on 02-21-19.
N. Dominguez seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Academic Excellence

A. Principal's Report

Sharing more accurate data

- Newer charts illustrate how Summit performs in relation to the CSD, district, and similar students
- Mixed evidence of success in regents data
    - Regents data indicates that we are outperforming the city although the district is doing better than the city
    - Regents performance dips because of personnel but the school made adjustments and brought in new staff
    - Scholars retook the ELA assessment in January and 80% passed
- Still waiting for DOE clarity around how college readiness is calculated
    - SACS to send a formal request for a description of how college readiness is calculated

2018 - 2019 Instructional Push for ELA

- Administered mock ELA assessment and teacher analysis
- Fridays for review, re-teach, re-assess
- Focus on priority standards
- Using data, revised curriculum map to reflect attack of standards that are below mastery

Wish List

- In school tutoring service with a program like Sylvan or Kumon

III. Development

A. Education Matters Gala

- 160 guest attended
- The venue was nicer than previously used. We got more for our money

• The financial report will be shared at the next meeting

IV. Finance

A. Cash Flow for February

• SACS is projecting a surplus
• We are maintaining 90 cash on hand in the bank
• SACS is closing out February and will send a full report within a few days

V. Renewal

A. DOE Update

• DOE proposed restructuring or closure
• The SACS board is in full support of the school and personnel but is working with the DOE to keep the doors ope
• The RFA was circulated and the board and the DOE are reviewing the applications
• SACS has given the DOE a counter proposal which will meet the school improvement needs and satisfy the school community
• Staff has questions about process and non-negotiables
• What are other schools like us doing to move scholars? Can we take that information and implement better programs?What does a candidate need to improve?
  ◦ Strong professional development
  ◦ Strategic Summer Institute
  ◦ Rigorous curriculum
  ◦ One on one coaching with teachers so that instruction that is driven by data
  ◦ Stronger behavioral system
  ◦ Mandatory Saturday Academy
  ◦ Strong operations
  ◦ Using field trips to support instruction
  ◦ Rich in technology and advanced science
  ◦ Addresses social emotional needs of scholars
  ◦ Support with ICT teachers
  ◦ How do general education teachers work with scholars who are very deficient
  ◦ Remediation programs
  ◦ Long term tracking of credits and attendance intervention

B. School Leadership Meeting & Proposal

• SACS Proposal for school improvement was shared with staff

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

R. Watson made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

M. Washington seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

N. Campbell