



# Summit Academy Charter School

# Minutes

**Board Meeting** 

**Date and Time** Tuesday November 17, 2015 at 7:00 PM

Location 27 Huntington Street, Brooklyn, NY 11231

**Trustees Present** A. Carter, F. Mitchell, J. Bailin, M. Bernard

Trustees Absent
None

Guests Present I. Louis, N. Campbell, N. Dominguez

# I. Opening Items

# A. Record Attendance and Guests

# B. Call the Meeting to Order

F. Mitchell called a meeting of the board of trustees of Summit Academy Charter School to order on Tuesday Nov 17, 2015 at 7:06 PM.

# C. Approve Minutes

#### II. Governance

#### A. Board Recruitment

#### B. N. Dominquez Interview & Vote

F. Mitchell commenced the introduction of the board members to candidate, N. Dominguez. Candidate then introduced himself and expressed his desire to assist with the Development and Academic Committees as they align with his personal and professional interests. He then relayed his extensive experience in the financial industry as well as the experience he possess with boards as he functioned as the President of a co-op building for several years. Board then commenced executive session where they discussed N. Dominguez's candidcay.

M. Bernard made a motion to accept N. Dominguez onto SACS board.

J. Bailin seconded the motion.

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

#### **III. Academic Excellence**

#### A. Academic Achievement Presentation by Principal Swift

C. Swift commenced her report by announcing that nine high school scholars received admission to college/university when they attended the HBCU college fair. At this time, 27 scholars have been accepted into college and some have received scholarships. -She then went on to relay that instructionally, SACS is still in need of a science teacher however, the administrative team is working diligently to find a replacement. C. Swift then began a discussion surrounding compensating teachers for substituting on science classes. The concencus was that this might prove to be difficult with decreased enrollment numbers. Curriculum and Instruction: SACS held its first Test Prep Rally with the Harlem Magic for the Interim Assessments that took place the first week of November. She then added that Master Connects (instructional/data tool) is proving to be extremely beneficial for SACS teachers and academic coaches. She furthered that her instructional team plans to use the data produced by Master Connects to guide Saturday Academy. -Such data has exposed that 6th and 8th graders have been making major gains in ELA. -C. Swift is to create ANET accounts for board members to review data.

#### **B.** Academic Achievement Presentation Continued

C. Swift discussed SACS' areas of growth which include: establishing a better relationship with P.S. 676 (C. Swift to invite members to meeting with building council that is to take place next week); SACS would thrive with imporved facilities; a quote is being drafted for P.A. system. She then concluded by sharing the following Novemver highlights: Successful FAC meeting with 26 parents in attendance; Summit Picks Up (school-wide community service) which will occur each quarter; Parent/Scholar Liaison

has moved under the supervision of the C. Swift. -Councilman Menchaca office- PD on participatory budgeting

## **IV. CEO Evaluation**

# A. Committee Update

No comment

# V. Finance Committee

## A. Review of 2015-2016 Budget

Finance committee score card has been finalized.

## **VI. Development**

## A. Development Update

I.Louis presented commitee update outlining the following: SACS in process of completing DYCD Cornerstone grant (deadline: 11/19/15); Preliminary participatory budgeting proposal was submitted with Councilman Menchaca's office for Aquaponics program. Communications: SACS social media presence and following has grown and continues to do so.

## **VII. 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 9:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, F. Mitchell