APPROVED

Launch Expeditionary Learning Charter School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday November 28, 2018 at 6:30 PM

Location
1580 Dean St., Brooklyn, NY 11213

Trustees Present
C. Hess (remote), D. Hazelwood, G. Lee, J. Harber, N. Lemerond, N. Lirette, R. MacIntyre (remote), R. Stopol

Trustees Absent
None

Guests Present
A. Rubin, C. Schlafer, E. Kussell, G. Roehm, R. Rocker

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Harber called a meeting of the board of trustees of Launch Expeditionary Learning Charter School to order on Wednesday Nov 28, 2018 at 6:30 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

R. Stopol made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 10-24-18 Board Meeting on 10-24-18.
G. Lee seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Board Candidate Introductions

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Meet Current Board Candidates

Board candidates Rebecca van de Sande and David Yassky introduced themselves and shared their professional experiences as well as how they became interested in joining the board. Rebecca and David answered several questions from the board prior to the vote.

III. Action Item - Board Candidates

A. Approval of Board Candidates

J. Harber made a motion to approve Rebecca van de Sande and David Yassky to join the Board.
N. Lemerond seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Launch Elementary Planning Update

A. LES Progress Update

LES Head of School Lori Riddick shared the progress that the elementary team has made. The elementary team is focused on teacher recruitment, student recruitment and building out the curriculum/program. The team has made a tremendous amount of progress in these areas. Lori answered a brief number of questions from the board.

V. Site Search for Launch Elementary School - Incubation

A. Update on Launch Elementary Incubation Space

The ED presented another possible incubation space for the elementary school located in District 17. This space is very compelling in terms of its location as well as its facility (former day care center). Launch now has three possible incubation spaces for the elementary school. The next steps in this process will be for Launch to submit a non-binding Letter of Intent (LOI) for the incubation space in District 17. The ED took several questions from the board concerning the incubation space and search process.

VI. Information Items

A. Update on Information Items

The ED discussed the current political climate in Albany and challenges that Launch is facing. The board discussed some ways to increase our lobbying efforts and visibility with the Board of Regents. The ED will follow up with another conference call with the board in order to support these efforts.

The ED also mentioned the the board holiday dinner will be on December 19th at Jonathan's apartment. An invitation will be sent to all board members.

VII. Executive Session

A. Personnel Discussion

The Executive Director briefly summarized previous information that was sent to the board regarding a shift in leadership, moving the current CAO into the Head of School role and the current Head of School into the Director of School Culture role. The ED explained the benefits of the shift, and the desire of all parties to make it. The ED answered questions prior to the board making a motion to approve.

VIII. New section

A. Approve Personnel Shift

J. Harber made a motion to approve the shift in leadership.
R. Stopol seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IX. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

J. Harber made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
R. Stopol 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 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
D. Hazelwood