



Brighter Choice Charter Schools

Minutes

Governance Committee Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday February 13, 2025 at 8:30 AM

Location

250 Central Ave., Albany, NY

Committee Members Present

C. Driggs (remote), K. Ford (remote), K. Mclean (remote), L. Licygiewicz (remote), M. Snyder (remote), N. Clement (remote), N. Velilla (remote), Z. Nelson (remote)

Committee Members Absent

T. Hanmer

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Z. Nelson called a meeting of the Governance Committee of Brighter Choice Charter Schools to order on Thursday Feb 13, 2025 at 8:32 AM.

C. Approve Minutes

C. Driggs made a motion to approve the minutes from Governance Committee Meeting on 01-09-25.

N. Clement seconded the motion.

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

II. Governance

A. BCCS-G Report

K Ford discussed enrollment changes at the Girls' school which fluctuated due to new enrollments and families leaving the country. Specials populations are consistent with minor increases to IEP students.

Scholars took the iReady assessments and the data is being compared year over year. There has been a 10% increase in reading growth (50% of students have met end of year reading growth). Math proficiency has improved as well. Mid year reflection meetings with teachers have been progressing and nearly complete.

Grades 3,4,5 are taking interim assessments this week.

During Black History Month dinner, the schools honored Ms. Frazier who served the schools for 20 years. Staff is stepping in to fill her responsibilities while awaiting a permanent hire.

Events this month include Black History Month dinner and other activities related to the theme.

B. BCCS-B report

K. McLean reported on enrollment at the Boys' school at 238 (knowing 2 scholars are leaving). One scholar left the state. Specials populations are the same as last year. Ms. Winfrey had a baby boy (congrats!) and staff are having mid year reflections and discussing preferences and challenges. K. Ford and K. McLean are looking into shared positions. A full time building aid has been hired. An additional TF hire was discussed. Staffing changes were discussed as well as offers outside salary scale.

Reregistration process begins Feb 24th. Combination of digital and paper registrations will be offered. K. McLean also reported on enrollment coordinator activities in Watervliet and Cohoes, UPK program recruitment and virtual and in person open houses. 14 families will be given registration packets and "Principal Tours."

K. McLean discussed the activities and events for the month.

III. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

C. Driggs made a motion to adjourn.

N. Clement seconded the motion.

The committee **VOTED** 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 9:14 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Z. Nelson