APPROVED



Brighter Choice Charter Schools

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Friday February 28, 2025 at 8:30 AM

Location
250 Central Ave. Albany, NY

Trustees Present
C. Driggs, M. Snyder (remote), N. Velilla, T. Hanmer, Z. Nelson

Trustees Absent
N. Clement

Guests Present
K. Ford, K. Mclean, L. Licygiewicz

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

M. Snyder called a meeting of the board of trustees of Brighter Choice Charter Schools to order on Friday Feb 28, 2025 at 8:30 AM.

C. Approve Minutes

N. Velilla made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 01-14-25.

T. Hanmer seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Committee Reports

A. Governance Committee Report out

Martha reported that the two school principals gave their monthly report, as provided in advance with standard data. This included enrollment data reflecting some movement of students in and out of schools as well as specials populations. The committee heard an update on interim assessments given to scholars and staffing updates and needs. Discussion of an activity to honor Ms. Frasier, parent coordinator, who unexpectedly passed away. K. Ford described iReady results reflecting improvement in proficiency in both ELA and math, making progress toward our goals. K. Ford reported on the search for teaching fellows. M. Snyder reported on similar metrics, enrollment, special populations, iReady and STEP (wrapping up), searched for teaching fellows to address staffing, in particular for grades 3 and 4. The principals reported on the engagement activities of the recruitment director to increase enrollment for the coming year. Jump Start program is going strong with 13 potential scholars for next Kindergarten year. Pre-enrollment packets were delivered to families.

B. Finance Committee Report Out

M. Snyder reported on the finance committtee meeting from January. Paul Augello reported on the updated financials. January close out reflects the schools running safely ahead of budgeted numbers. Health care premiums would increase next year barring changes. Luke L. is reviewing potential changes to the health plan with staff inputs. Mutual of America visited the schools to assist in retirement account enrollment for staff. The transition is complete. M of A will come back to the building to meet with staff to make sure they are supporting staff.

III. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

T. Hanmer made a motion to adjourn.
N. Velilla 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 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Z. Nelson