



Inwood Academy for Leadership Charter School

Minutes

September Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday September 17, 2019 at 7:15 PM

Location

3896 10th ave

Trustees Present

B. Girley, B. Wilson (remote), E. Siminerio, J. Almonte, J. Harris (remote), J. Patrick, K. Smith, M. Rosenthal

Trustees Absent

T. Almonte

Guests Present

Alyssa Weaver, C. Reyes, Hazel Pina, J. Pichardo, J. Sandoval, R. Graham, Steve Mylnar, V. Hoekstra

I. Opening Items**A. Record Attendance and Guests****B. Call the Meeting to Order**

J. Patrick called a meeting of the board of trustees of Inwood Academy for Leadership Charter School to order on Tuesday Sep 17, 2019 at 7:23 PM.

C.

Approve Minutes

M. Rosenthal made a motion to approve minutes from the August Board Meeting on 08-20-19 August Board Meeting on 08-20-19.

J. Almonte seconded the motion.

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

II. Board Committee Reports

A. Fundraising Committee

J. Patrick shared development updates on the following topics on behalf of the Fundraising Task Force: final 2019-20 Fundraising Plan, new SIA calendar of goals & activities, 100% Board participation in Trustees Engagement Plans (Rahsaan to setup individual meetings with members), IAL 10-Year celebration events, and broader FOIA focus. RISE 2022 Campaign on hold; will do RISE 2024. Migrating fundraising platform to Salesforce.

B. CEO Report: Alumni Update

Alumni Report:

Hazel and Alyssa provided information on the status of IAL's 167 alumni. 130 students (78%) are enrolled in a two or four-year degree program. Our alumni counselors have accomplished much this past year, including: being in consistent communication with students; visiting them on campuses and welcoming them back to IAL with office hours/alumni lounge/other events; planning for data migration to Salesforce; and building a bank of resources of jobs and internships after high school and college. They identified building connections with students in 12th grade as key. The Alumni Office will be in need of financial resources to support increasing numbers of students - they will be working on budget and needs assessment.

Possible Grade Expansion:

Christina shared data on elementary school seats in District 6; Board reviewed info from 2020-2024 NYC DOE Capital Plan.

C. Academic Committee

Kath & Val shared Middle School state test results from 2018-19. Highlights include:

- ELA scores overall dropped 2 percentage points but we are still meeting the district. Math scores overall increased 2 percentage points and IAL scores now exceed the district. This is a big accomplishment as our scores were below the district in ELA/Math in 2016.
- We see similar 2018-19 results in neighboring comparison schools (with the exception of PS 187).

- In some areas our scores met/exceed the City: 5th grade ELLs (Math), 6th grade overall (Math), 6th grade ELLs (Math), 7th grade SPED (Math), ELLs overall (Math), 6th grade ELLs (ELA), 8th grade SPED (ELA), and 8th grade ELLs (ELA).
- We see that changes in scores for a small number of students can have a big impact on our data
- For interim assessments, MS switched from NWEA to AIM Web Assessments; partnering with AIM Academy to learn best practices to teach reading and assess for kids in need.

D. Finance and Facilities Committee

Temp Use for HS building extended until 12/9/19; on road to obtaining TCO.

M. Rosenthal made a motion to Approve the document titled: BOARD RESOLUTION APPROVING LEASING OF NEW FACILITY (for possible grade expansion) whereas "the Finance Committee, Chief Executive Officer or the Chief Operating/Financial Officer are authorized, directed and empowered to execute, for and on behalf of IAL, any and all documents required in connection with the Loan and Lease of the new facility."

B. Girley seconded the motion.

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

III. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

E. Siminerio made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

J. Patrick 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 9:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. Siminerio