



# Inwood Academy for Leadership Charter School

## Minutes

### April Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Tuesday April 21, 2020 at 7:15 PM

#### Location

3896 10th ave

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#### Trustees Present

B. Girley (remote), B. Wilson (remote), E. Siminerio (remote), J. Almonte (remote), J. Harris (remote), J. Patrick (remote), K. Mangual (remote), K. Smith (remote), S. Mlynar (remote), T. Almonte (remote)

#### Trustees Absent

M. Rosenthal

#### Guests Present

J. Pichardo (remote), J. Sandoval (remote), M. Hackett, V. Hoekstra (remote)

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### 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 Apr 21, 2020 at 7:15 PM.

#### C.

### **Approve Minutes**

J. Almonte made a motion to approve the minutes from March Board Meeting on 03-24-20.

J. Harris seconded the motion.

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

## **II. Board Committee Reports**

### **A. CEO Report**

C. Reyes, V. Hoekstra, & M. Hackett provided updates on IAL's virtual learning plans and considerations for the coming weeks and months, with specific focus on the remote learning environment, continued instruction & interventions the team is providing to students, as well as much needed social-emotional supports.

The Board was able to view examples of online lessons and teacher/student communications and gain an understanding of the robust learning environment the team is providing. The high level of student engagement is an indication that our approach is working.

The Board expressed much appreciation for the efforts of the leadership and all staff during these challenging times.

The Board also reviewed the Regents testing update provided by NYS and impacts on IAL students, including 2020 cohort projected graduation rates.

### **B. Fundraising Task Force**

J. Pichardo and the Fundraising Committee members gave an update on SIAs efforts, including:

- New Go fund me campaign launched to raise \$20K to support IAL families in crisis due to COVID-19 to share with Board contacts
- NYC Half Marathon funds to go towards COVID-19 relief for IAL families
- FOIA funded Chromebooks for all students being distributed
- Cancelled plans for fundraising in-person events, but considering ideas for virtual fundraisers
- FY 2021 Fundraising Plan to be presented at June annual meetin

### **C. Finance and Facilities Committee**

J. Pichardo reviewed lottery statistics. The school received over 1,500 applications, approximately 50 more than last year, including 30 siblings. While 5th grade applications are slightly down year over year, 9th grade applications are up significantly. The majority of applications are from students in the Bronx as in prior years, and the team noted

particular constraints this year in getting the word out due to COVID-19. B. Girley offered so support with social media in this area.

**D. Academic Committee Report**

**III. 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 9:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
E. Siminerio