



# Inwood Academy for Leadership Charter School

# **Minutes**

January Board Meeting

Date and Time Tuesday January 19, 2021 at 7:00 PM

# **Trustees Present**

B. Girley (remote), E. Siminerio (remote), J. Harris (remote), J. Patrick (remote), K. Mangual (remote), K. Smith (remote), M. Rosenthal (remote), S. Mlynar (remote), S. Santo (remote), T. Almonte (remote), V. Singh (remote)

# **Trustees Absent**

B. Wilson, J. Almonte

# **Guests Present**

A. Weaver (remote), C. Reyes (remote), H. Pina (remote), J. Pichardo (remote), J. Sandoval (remote), M. Hackett (remote), V. Hoekstra (remote)

# I. Opening Items

# A. Record Attendance

# B. Call the Meeting to Order

T. Almonte called a meeting of the board of trustees of Inwood Academy for Leadership Charter School to order on Tuesday Jan 19, 2021 at 8:21 PM.

# C. Approve Minutes

K. Mangual made a motion to approve the minutes from December Board Meeting on 12-15-20.

M. Rosenthal seconded the motion.

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

#### **II. Committee Reports**

#### A. CEO Report

Mary gave an update on college and career readiness, including data on college applications, acceptances, and FAFSA submissions for Class of '21 Seniors. The pandemic has impacted our community and made these processes more challenging. As a result, the team is reaching out to families one-on-one to support individual circumstances.

Hazel & Alyssa provided an update on IAL's 250+ Alumni students. 80% of our 2020 class are enrolled in college or a specialized program, with slightly lower rates for the 2019 and 2018 classes. The Alumni team is taking creative approaches, such as videos and mentoring, to support students facing many challenges, including financial constraints, remote learning, and family relocations.

Christina updated the Board on her individual goal tracking.

#### B. Academic Committee Report

Christina provided an update on plans for returning to the school building. The leadership team is taking all precautions to ensure safety of students and staff. The plan includes teachers to return in-person at the end of March and students to return in-person at the end of April. Plans, including a vaccine policy, will be finalized in the coming weeks in accordance with expert consultations and CDC guidelines and policies.

#### C. Finance, Facilities and Fundraising

Jenny gave an update on the potential new site. The owners are working with a new developer and we expect a response to our proposal by end of month. Vic shared an update on a new idea for the FOIA, a Student Business Accelerator to fund business proposals for rising seniors.

# III. Executive Session (the Board adjourned and the Officers + HR Committee went into Exec Session)

#### A. CEO Evaluation

Discussion of Christina's evaluation for the 2019-2020 school year is completed and was discussed. The results will be discussed live with Christina in the coming week.

#### **IV. 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 9:31 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, E. Siminerio