



Forte Preparatory Academy

Minutes

Forte Prep Board Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday July 19, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Location

- 51-35 Reeder Street (Forte Prep)
- CLEAR Offices: 85 10th Avenue, 9th Floor
- Zoom

Directors Present

A. Rothman (remote), C. Padula (remote), E. Winn (remote), L. Mendez (remote), L. Rodriguez (remote), V. Abrams, W. Yip (remote)

Directors Absent

D. Moskowitz, F. Lin

Ex Officio Members Present

G. Browne (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

G. Browne (remote)

Guests Present

B. Johnson (remote), D. Forbes (remote), Justin Smith (remote), K. Mullen (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

W. Yip called a meeting of the board of directors of Forte Preparatory Academy to order on Wednesday Jul 19, 2023 at 6:38 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

II. Finance

A. Finance Review

EdTech provided financial update from May 2023 books.

III. Development

A. Public Comment/Consultation/Collaboration on ESSER Funding

Reminder to claim donations on Forte Prep site by July 31

IV. Governance

A. New Board members: Prospect & recruit

Wai Lin spoke to 8 possible board members and 2 were interested.

Laura has 1 interested board member and will follow up.

All board members to consider adding board members. Preference for Queens people, if possible.

B. Annual ED evaluation (Reflect on 22-23 SY)

Discussion and review of Executive Director evaluation.

V. Other Business - Executive Director update

A. Update

Strong academic year

Exam results continue to surpass state averages

100% Algebra Regents pass rate

Expansion of student support as increasingly diverse learners at Forte Prep

Discussion of new organizational chart for next year

Staff retention high; only 5 teachers not returning

New opportunities for growth and responsibilities for leadership team

Big year for corporate donations; raised over \$2 million for Forte Prep. Working on allocating resources to maintain relationships and handle reporting requirements, including by hiring a person to do full-time
Discussion of goals for 23-24 year

VI. 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 7:19 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Rothman