

Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter School

Monthly Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday August 6, 2020 at 6:00 PM EDT

Location

Call-in:

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Join by phone

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Agenda	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			6:00 PM
Opening Items			
A. Record Attendance and Guests		Victor Rivera	1 m
B. Call the Meeting to Order		Victor Rivera	1 m
C. Review of the minutes	Discuss	Victor Rivera	4 m
D. Vote to approve minutes	Approve Minutes	Victor Rivera	1 m
Approve minutes for Monthly Board Meeting on July 21, 2020			
II. Governance			6:07 PM
A. Review of the Governance Committee's Goal and Dashboard Metrics	FYI	Doris Givens	10 m
III. Academic and Family Life Committee			6:17 PM
A. Review of the Academic and Family Life Committee's Goal and Dashboard Metrics	FYI	Cecelia Russo	10 m
IV. Finance			6:27 PM
A. Review of the Finance Committee's Goal and Dashboard Metrics	FYI	Tyler McConnell	10 m
V. Development			6:37 PM

A. Review of the Development Committee's Goal and Dashboard Metrics	FYI	Tamikka Pate	10 m
VI. New and Old Business			6:47 PM
A. New Business	Discuss	Victor Rivera	5 m
B. Old Business	Discuss	Victor Rivera	5 m
VII. Public Comments			6:57 PM
A. Public comments	FYI	Victor Rivera	15 m
VIII. Executive Session			7:12 PM
A. Vote to enter executive session	Vote	Victor Rivera	1 m
B. Discussion of legal and personnel matters	Discuss	Victor Rivera	20 m
C. Vote to return to public session	Vote	Victor Rivera	1 m
D. Report from the executive session	FYI	Victor Rivera	2 m
IX. Closing Items			7:36 PM
A. Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Victor Rivera	1 m

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Vote to approve minutes

Section: I. Opening Items

Item: D. Vote to approve minutes

Purpose: Approve Minutes

Submitted by:

Related Material: Minutes for Monthly Board Meeting on July 21, 2020



Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter School

Minutes

Monthly Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday July 21, 2020 at 3:00 PM

Location

Dial-in:

(US) +1 321-866-6273 PIN: 552 872 607#

Remote dial-in:

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Trustees Present

Cecelia Russo (remote), Doris Givens (remote), Joseph Sciame (remote), Kevin Nesbitt (remote), Neil Samen (remote), Patricia Bramwell (remote), Tamikka Pate (remote), Tyler McConnell (remote), Victor Rivera (remote)

Trustees Absent

Leticia Theodore-Greene

Ex-Officio Members Present

Nicholas Tishuk (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

Nicholas Tishuk (remote)

Guests Present

Vicky D'Anjou-Pomerleau (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Victor Rivera called a meeting of the board of trustees of Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter School to order on Tuesday Jul 21, 2020 @ 3:04 PM at Dial-in:

(US) +1 321-866-6273 PIN: 552 872 607#

C. Approve Minutes

Patricia Bramwell made a motion to approve the minutes from Monthly BSNBCS Board Meeting on 06-16-20.

Doris Givens seconded the motion.

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

II. Executive Committee

A. Report from the Executive Committee

Executive committee met to approve the plan to become a School Food Authority. The SFA required us to enter a contract with a vendor, Genuine Foods. Board authorization was required to review bids and submit a letter approving the vendor selection.

Joseph Sciame made a motion to ratify the vendor selection made by the Executive Committee.

Tyler McConnell seconded the motion.

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

III. Governance

A. Report from the Governance Committee

The Governance Committee has reached out to 10 individuals regarding joining the Board as Trustees. Received interest from one person who sent their resume. A time will be schedule to discuss the position in greater detail.

IV. Academic Committee

A. Report from the Academic Committee

The committee did not meet since the last Board meeting.

V. Finance

A. Report from the Finance committee

The committee will be meeting this week but has not met since the last Board meeting.

VI. Development

A. Report from the Development Committee

The committee did not meet.

VII. Family Life

A. Report from the Family Life committee

The committee submitted a letter on behalf of the Board for commencement, and submitted a video for the virtual graduation. The Chair of Family Life attended the 8th Grade graduation packet distribution in June.

VIII. New Business

A. New Business

Cecelia Russo made a motion to adopt a motion to authorize the submission of the School Reopening Plan to New York State Authorities.

Kevin Nesbitt seconded the motion.

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

B. Public comments

There were no public comments.

IX. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Joseph Sciame made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Doris Givens 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 3:21 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Vicky D'Anjou-Pomerleau

Documents used during the meeting

Board Resolution - School Reopening Plan 7-21-20.pdf

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Review of the Academic and Family Life Committee's Goal and Dashboard Metrics

Section: III. Academic and Family Life Committee

Item: A. Review of the Academic and Family Life Committee's Goal and

Dashboard Metrics

Purpose: FYI

Submitted by:

Related Material: July 29, 2020 Minutes.docx

BSNBCS Academic/Family Life Committee Call July 29, 2020

Board members- Kevin Nesbitt

Leticia Theodore

Cecelia M. Russo Chair

HSMT Patience Brown, Principal

Elisabeth Young,

Agenda-

To confirm, Elizabeth Young is not SMT but per principal, is a resource and invited to meeting. She is liaison with families and since Family Engagement Committee is being incorporated into Academic Committee, she is an asset.

1. Patience advised that she has been in communication with teachers, student/families. Working with Nick, and others, the reopening plan for fall 2020 was completed and revised from input from Board /others and submitted as mandated to NYSED on July 31st. Waiting for confirmation from NYSED of plan sent.

The school culture seems to be positive and all working as a team.

- 2. Email will be sent 7/30/20 to all Board members. This will include communication with parents and teachers; orientation and plan for opening.

 Though DOE has not confirmed OPENING date, BSNBCS will open-brick/mortar -with all students present on Monday. August 24th. As per draft plan at retreat- cleaning, safety protocols.
 - students present on Monday, August 24th. As per draft plan at retreat- cleaning, safety protocols will be followed. However, SMT ready for exceptions
- 3. To date 4/5 teachers have advised Patience of not being comfortable with being in the building; alternatives are being prepared for remote instruction from them and/or other accommodations. Those expressing an issue will be assured of their job- if proper documentation submitted/approved. Prepared to bring in replacement teachers though. AGAIN, ALL DEPENDS ON NYSED DOE DIRECTIVES FOR OPENING PROTOCOL.
- 4. All communication is on school website. Encouraged to view; email Patience of concerns.
- 5. Leticia provided resource links for student/ parents regarding community outreach. Patience/Elisabeth will communicate to parents through APPS which have been used effectively in spring and for fall will be on school website.
- 6. Per Elisabeth- have 90% of emails-working to get the rest. All calls to office are responded/all staff are kept up to date as to protocols/responses to parents. Student Support Team have targeted families who have not responded; Blasts/ emails/ with read receipt/ calls/Working to keep all engaged
- 7. SEL- support/teaches flag students
- 8. Per Patience-August 3-all staff in school

August 10th training

School calendar cannot be published until DOE publishes theirs. CHECK WEB However- school will open August 24th- students will go to last year's grade/teacher. Only Kindergarten class will have orientation. A positive note is that many of the new students have siblings in the school. This information was sent to parents with special communication to those 10/15 in jeopardy of being promoted. Using Google Meets, virtual meetings Assessments will be conducted for placement for 2020/2021 AY

No After School Programs scheduled at this time.

If brick/mortar attendance, will use parking lot around corner from school as extra space. As per Nick staggered schedule; adhering to all safety precautions for all.

9. Continued observation-phone/zoom of teachers by Patience and 3 three Assistant Principals.

Not only feedback as to effectiveness with students but a reaching out to each for their health/emotional status.

The Academic Committee did some brain storming for the DASH Board as requested. Initial GOALS- Assessment of student
Increased Family Engagement

We encourage all Board member to view the school website; communicate with a committee member and/or email Patience with school concerns.

Stay healthy and safe ALL!

Cecelia M. Russo

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Review of the Finance Committee's Goal and Dashboard Metrics

Section: IV. Finance

Item: A. Review of the Finance Committee's Goal and Dashboard Metrics

Purpose: FYI

Submitted by:

Related Material: Fin Comm Call Notes - July 30 2020.docx

NOTES FROM THE CALL OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE BEDFORD-STUYVESANT NEW BEGINNINGS CHARTER SCHOOL HELD ON JULY 30, 2020

August 4, 2020

Members: T. McConnell (Chair), P. Bramwell, D. Givens, N. Samen (Absent)

Invitees: L-R. Brown

The Call begun at 6:05 p.m.

MONTHLY REVIEW OF ACCOUNTS

The Committee reviewed the banking account statements and check activity for the prior month. No issues were found.

Ms. Brown reported that, during the month of July, the School began purchasing equipment to transition to a School Food Authority. The Committee requested an updated list of top vendors that account for the majority of the School's expenses.

No material expenditures or credits, outside of ordinary monthly operating sums, were expected within the next 30 days.

2020-2021 ENROLLMENT

The Committee was advised that June enrollment is still based on the last date students were in the building. We also reported the Board approved, budgeted enrollment numbers for July 2020. The Committee was reminded that enrollment numbers at the start of the school year are historically unsettled. While the school expects to meet budgeted targets, the impact of the global pandemic is difficult to quantify.

PPP ACCOUNT

The Committee discussed the Paycheck Protection Plan Account and the timeline for loan forgiveness. Ms. Brown reported that the time period for forgiveness increased from eight weeks to 24 weeks. She further noted that the school is engaging our accountant, PKF O'Connor Davies, to help with the forgiveness application, which is expected to be submitted in August.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

The next Committee call will be on September 10, 2020.

The call concluded at 7:05 p.m.