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# Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools

## Minutes

### BSNBCS Board of Trustees Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday March 28, 2017 at 6:00 PM

#### **Location**

82 Lewis Avenue, Brooklyn NY 11206

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#### **Trustees Present**

Cecelia Russo, Dalia Oberlander, Doris Givens, Joseph Sciame, Kevin Nesbitt, Leticia Theodore-Greene, Marlena Mondesir, Nancy Cavaluzzi, Patricia Bramwell, Victor Rivera

#### **Trustees Absent**

Angel Charriez

#### **Trustees who arrived after the meeting opened**

Kevin Nesbitt, Leticia Theodore-Greene

#### **Ex Officio Members Present**

Nicholas Tishuk

#### **Non Voting Members Present**

Nicholas Tishuk

#### **Guests Present**

Kateema Boatwright, Lisa-Renée Brown, Marilyn Julien, Patience Brown, Silbia Pagan, Stephanie Staples, Vicky D'Anjou-Pomerleau, Wanda Morales

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## I. Opening Items

### A. Record Attendance and Guests

Chairman Sciame read Mr. Charriez's resignation from the board.

### B. Call the Meeting to Order

Joseph Sciame called a meeting of the board of trustees of Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools to order on Tuesday Mar 28, 2017 at 6:05 PM.

### C. Approve Minutes

The minutes were approved with corrections.

Patricia Bramwell made a motion to approve minutes from the BSNBCS Board of Trustees Meeting on 02-28-17 BSNBCS Board of Trustees Meeting on 02-28-17.

Cecelia Russo seconded the motion.

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

## II. School Status Update

### A. Presentation by the School Management Team

Nicholas Tishuk informed the board that today was the first day for school testing. The scholars had the reading exam. The school will run a math program from 9-4 to help prep for the next testing section. From 9-12, teachers will work with scholars to give math prep; 12-4 the scholars will attend an enrichment program. All theThe s 8th grade scholars received a school offer in the first round. Two scholars receive partial scholarships to Bishop Laughlin.

Ms. Pagan gave an update on the job search the school is conducting. The school is working with a program, K-12 Connect, to have a Brooklyn job fair hosted at the school. the school is working with a program to give 37 7th graders prep for the specialized testing for high schools.

Ms. Morales gave an update on the school lottery process. The lottery will be on April 7th at 8am at the school. The application received:

K- 180	4th: 45
1st: 33	5th: 57
2nd: 25	6th: 57
3rd: 55	7th: 29
	8th: 15

The recruitment effort of the school included:

- District 16 and neighboring district PreK and day care facilities
- Nearby NYCHA housing, a letter and application were given to 3000 homes

-Neighborhood and local business canvassing  
Kevin Nesbitt arrived.

### **III. Committee Reports**

#### **A. Executive Committee Report**

Chairman Sciame gave an update of the Executive Director's evaluation. The Chairman thanked Kevin Nesbitt, Patricia Bramwell, Cecilia Russo and Marlena Mondesir for their attendance.

#### **B. Education Committee Report**

The education committee had a call with Silbia and Patience. A small percentage of scholars had opted out of the tests. There is a majority of teacher and staff performing in good standing. The director praised the administration of the PFO.

#### **C. Family Life Committee Report**

The Family Life Committee has not met. A meeting will occur to discuss the partnership of the PFO with the board. The PFO will schedule a weeklong Teacher Appreciation project.

#### **D. Development Committee Report**

Leticia Theodore-Greene arrived.

Ms. D'Anjou-Pomerleau gave an update of the development initiatives. Mr. Tishuk and Ms. D'Anjou-Pomerleau attended a town hall meeting with Mayor de Blasio, Councilman Cornegy and Governor Cuomo, where a public announcement of 1.5 billion investment in Central Brooklyn. Ms. D'Anjou-Pomerleau attended a working group meeting of CSD 16 principals interested in sharing best practices around family engagement. An invitation was sent to the Brooklyn Tech Alumni Association Middle School Outreach committee to present to our middle schools and families.

We are working on more commitments for our Annual May 20th Health Action Day, including two workshops centered around healthy relationships for parents and teens. The school is hoping to partnership with Nike Zoom League.

The development committee is interesting in hosting a cocktail fundraising event. Peaches has committed to be a food sponsor. The budget for the event is \$2,500. Each ticket would cost \$100, with ideally 75 guests. June 8th 6:30-9:30.

#### **E. Finance Committee Report**

The committee had another informational session with the school leadership. The school is in good financial standing. The committee discussed with the school leadership the periodic reports or information they would like to receive, i.e enrollment numbers and how

it impacts the budget. Currently we are ahead of the enrollment projections by 2.2%. The committee would like to conduct an analysis of the work (in terms of facilities) to assess what has been done vs. what is needed to be done. Ideally this information will be presented at the June meeting. The school has been authorized to find a new bank and is in the process of evaluating based on the school's needs.

**F. Motion to elect Victor Rivera to the office of Treasurer**

Patricia Bramwell made a motion to nominate Victor Rivera as treasurer.  
Nancy Cavaluzzi seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

Patricia Bramwell	Aye
Marlena Mondesir	Aye
Kevin Nesbitt	Aye
Leticia Theodore-Greene	Aye
Angel Charriez	Absent
Cecelia Russo	Aye
Doris Givens	Aye
Joseph Sciame	Aye
Nancy Cavaluzzi	Aye
Dalia Oberlander	Aye
Victor Rivera	Aye

**IV. New Business**

**A. Public Comments**

**B. Vote to go into executive session**

Patricia Bramwell made a motion to go into executive session.  
Kevin Nesbitt seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**C. Return to public meeting**

Victor Rivera made a motion to to return from executive session.  
Leticia Theodore-Greene seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**D. Report from the executive session**

The board discussed legal and personnel matters.

**V. 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 8:17 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marlena Mondesir

Patricia Bramwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Leticia Theodore-Greene seconded the motion.

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