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# Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools

## Minutes

### Regular monthly Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Tuesday December 19, 2017 at 6:00 PM

**Location**

82 Lewis Avenue

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**Trustees Present**

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

**Trustees Absent**

Dalia Oberlander, Nancy Cavaluzzi

**Trustees who arrived after the meeting opened**

Doris Givens

**Ex Officio Members Present**

Nicholas Tishuk

**Non Voting Members Present**

Nicholas Tishuk

**Guests Present**

Lisa-Renée Brown, Silbia Pagan, Tiffany Danner, Vicky D'Anjou-Pomerleau, Wanda Morales

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## **I. Opening Items**

### **A. Record Attendance and Guests**

### **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 Dec 19, 2017 at 6:02 PM.

### **C. Approve Minutes**

Changes to make: Public Comments A- add St. before John's.

Patricia Bramwell made a motion to approve minutes from the Regular monthly Board Meeting on 11-28-17 with necessary comments Regular monthly Board Meeting on 11-28-17.

Victor Rivera seconded the motion.

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

## **II. Committee Reports**

### **A. School Management Team Report**

Mr. Tishuk reported for the school. The school is having a number of winter events before the end of the winter break which starts on the 21st.

Lisa-Renée Brown arrived.

Silbia Pagan arrived.

### **B. Executive Committee Report**

Chairman Sciame gave an update on the Executive Director review. The board meeting dates for 2018 were given to the Board.

### **C. Finance Committee Report**

Mr. Rivera gave an update on the Finance Committee. The school is in good financial shape and have a good system in place. Mr. Rivera wanted to express the committee's gratitude and appreciation to Ms. Brown and her staff for their invaluable assistance and work with the committee. Mr. Rivera also notified the board that we have four students that were displaced due to Hurricane Maria.

Wanda Morales arrived.

### **D. Education Committee Report**

Ms. Russo gave an update for the Education committee. The committee did not meet this month but did corresponded with the ED and SMT regarding the SPED population and how they are being serviced.

### **E.**

### **Family Life Committee Report**

Mr. Nesbitt gave an update for the Family Life Committee. In the conference call on December 14th, the committee discussed the Friendraiser, addressing the family comments from the DOE survey. The PFO worked with the school to conduct a toy drive that ended last week and worked with the school the charity chosen. Mr. Rivera asked about a possible mother and son equivalent to the father and daughter event in Feb. (2/14/17).

In regards, the committee discussed several ways that the families know that the board hears their concerns and the school feels as though with the school events and connection with parents, the survey may be different. The PFO is working to have the following events:

- PFO survey party
- Breakfasts to collect family feedback
- what is the ask we asking from the school, families and the scope of the event

### **F. Development Committee Report**

Vicky handed each board member an envelope with the letters Nick is bringing to the DOE. The members were also given 5 cards to use promote the school. The cards can be used to send a personal note or leverage them to discuss some of the work the school is doing in the community. A form is also included for the board to send Vicky the names of anyone we send cards to. The school has developed a relationship with Mastercard. They filmed on the school property and donated \$22,000, which will go for all 8th grade activities and graduation. Any extra money will be given to the lower school. Director Jake Nava also connected with the school to work with scholars about visual storytelling. Doris Givens arrived.

## **III. New Business**

### **A. Public Comments**

We had one public comment from a parent.

### **B. Vote into Executive Session**

### **C. Report from Executive Session**

## **IV. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

The Board did not go into executive session  
Victor Rivera made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Doris Givens seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** 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 6:46 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marlena Mondesir