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Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools

Minutes

Monthly BSNBCS Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday August 20, 2019 at 6:00 PM

Location
82 Lewis Avenue

Trustees Present
Dalia Oberlander (remote), Doris Givens, Joseph Sciame, Kevin Nesbitt, Leticia Theodore-Greene, Patricia Bramwell, Tyler McConnell

Trustees Absent
Cecelia Russo, Victor Rivera

Ex Officio Members Present
Nicholas Tishuk

Guests Present
Lisa-Renée Brown, Neil Samen, Patience Brown, Tamikka Paté, Vicky D'Anjou-Pomerleau

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 Aug 20, 2019 at 6:48 PM.
Chairman Sciame would like to dedicate this meeting to the memory of Carmen Rivera, the mother of Victor Rivera, founder and Treasurer. She was buried yesterday after a mass celebrated at the Church of St. John's the Baptist.

C. Approve Minutes

Doris Givens made a motion to approve minutes from the Monthly Board Meeting on 06-25-19 Monthly Board Meeting on 06-25-19.
Patricia Bramwell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Governance

A. Report from the Governance Committee

The committee is making progress. We have two candidates as a result of our outreach in the past few months. The plan is for the governance committee to meet in September to solidify the orientation process and look into building another list of individuals to get to our goal of 15. It is important for us to have robust committees, never struggle for quorum, and have a good succession pipeline.

III. Finance

A. Report from the Finance Committee

Key to understanding what is happening at a school from a financial standpoint is to look at enrollment. Because school has not started yet, there are no such numbers to look at at this time. Early in the year, enrollment numbers move quite a bit.

The school is in a strong position in terms of cash balance.

IV. Academics

A. Academic Committee report

We are rolling out our new framework with two APs supporting our K-8 Principal, great vibe in the building. Parents are coming in the building tomorrow. There will be three events: Lower School open house tomorrow, 3-5PM, Middle School open house from 3-5PM on Thursday, and Kindergartners will come in in the morning on Friday to have a first half day while their parents attend an orientation. We are fully staffed and ready to go for Monday!

V. Development

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Report from the Development Committee

The Development committee will report in September regarding events for the 10th year.

The school has received a $100,000 discretionary award from Borough President Adams which will be used for technology. We have also received $5,000 from Council member Cornegy: both awards were granted after the school applied for city discretionary funding in February 2019.

State Senator Julia Salazar is scheduled to visit the school tomorrow.

Chair Joe Sciame offered himself to support in planning an event to be organized in the Spring of 2020 at an off-site location to mark the school's 10th year anniversary.

VI. New business

A. Selection of Board Retreat Date

The school has collected availabilities from attendees and will analyze to report back and identify a date that would work best for all.

VII. Executive session

A. Vote to go into executive session

Kevin Nesbitt made a motion to enter executive session.
Tyler McConnell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Return to public meeting

Patricia Bramwell made a motion to return to public session.
Doris Givens seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Report from the public meeting

The Board discussed personnel matters.

D. Adjourn Meeting

Leticia Theodore-Greene made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Patricia Bramwell 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 8:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vicky D'Anjou-Pomerleau