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Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools

Minutes

Monthly BSNBCS Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday September 17, 2019 at 6:00 PM

Location
82 Lewis Avenue

Trustees Present
Cecelia Russo, Dalia Oberlander, Doris Givens, Joseph Sciame, Kevin Nesbitt, Patricia Bramwell, Victor Rivera

Trustees Absent
Leticia Theodore-Greene, Tyler McConnell

Ex Officio Members Present
Nicholas Tishuk

Guests Present
Lisa-Renée Brown, Neil Samen, Patience Brown, 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 Sep 17, 2019 at 6:19 PM.
Attendees introduced themselves to Board candidate Neil Samen.

C. Approve Minutes

Kevin Nesbitt made a motion to approve minutes from the Monthly BSNBCS Board Meeting on 08-20-19 Monthly BSNBCS Board Meeting on 08-20-19.
Patricia Bramwell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Governance

A. Report from the Governance Committee

Governance nominated two candidates to the Board of Trustees and reminded Board of the process that has taken us to this point.

Referring back to our Nomination policies and procedures, we have conducted reference checks, collected a Statement of Interest and a Resume and shared them with the Board.

Looping back to individual Trustee performance expectation, Committee asks all Trustees to review the Board member agreement discussed several meetings ago to eventually sign it. It is an opportunity to review and affirm what a Trustee commits to on an annual basis.

B. Election of Neil Samen to the BSNBCS Board of Trustees

Dalia Oberlander made a motion to elect Neil Samen to the BSNBCS Board of Trustees.
Kevin Nesbitt seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Election of Tamikka Paté to the BSNBCS Board of Trustees

Doris Givens made a motion to elect Tamikka Paté to the BSNBCS Board of Trustees.
Dalia Oberlander seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. Finance

A. Report from the Finance Committee

Enrollment numbers are looking good. Treasurer explained the different types of accounts the school has, and the importance of enrollment as a driver of revenue.

Annual Audit is beginning. The Finance Committee will meet with the Auditors. The Finance Committee will have an open meeting on October 9th to meet with the Auditors

and review the draft audit in public session. This process also includes the preparation of the annual tax return.

Want to shout out the new ironworks on the ground floor windows.

IV. Academics

A. Report from the Academic Committee

Academic committee pointed out the list of school-wide events and invited the Board to attend them, including the upcoming Alumni Breakfast on Election Day, November 5th at 9:30am.

Nicholas Tishuk reviewed and discussed NYS testing performance. The school is very happy with subgroup performance but will focus on growing ELL ELA performance with an additional ELL teacher; and on 7th and 8th graders' proficiency in Math and ELA by building on the work that started last year in terms of aligning curriculum and programs to the successful elementary approach. Big focus on social emotional development.

V. Development

A. Report from the Development Committee

Committee has begun working on Gala. Save the Dates cards have been distributed to all Trustees. Sponsorships are researched and a ticket pricing structure will be developed in coming months.

VI. Family Life

A. Report from the Family Life Committee

School had Dads day was on September 17th and over 300 fathers came in for about an hour to participate in morning meetings and academic activities.

VII. Executive Session

A. Public Comments

No public comments.

B. Vote to enter Executive Session

Cecelia Russo made a motion to go into executive session.
Victor Rivera seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Vote to return to public meeting

Victor Rivera made a motion to return to public meeting.
Patricia Bramwell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Report on the executive session

The Board discussed personnel matters.

VIII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Doris Givens made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Kevin Nesbitt 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 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Vicky D'Anjou-Pomerleau
The Chair reminded the Board of its next meeting on October 15th, 2019.