



Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools

Minutes

Monthly Board Meeting

Date and Time Tuesday February 23, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Trustees Present

Cecelia Russo, Doris Givens, Joseph Sciame, Kevin Nesbitt, Leticia Theodore-Greene, Patricia Bramwell, Tamikka Pate, Tyler McConnell, Victor Rivera

Trustees Absent
None

Trustees who arrived after the meeting opened Kevin Nesbitt, Leticia Theodore-Greene, Tyler McConnell

Trustees who left before the meeting adjourned Tamikka Pate

Ex Officio Members Present Nicholas Tishuk

Non Voting Members Present Nicholas Tishuk

Guests Present Lisa-Renée Brown, Patience Brown

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 Schools to order on Tuesday Feb 23, 2021 at 6:05 PM.

C. Review of the minutes

D. Vote to approve minutes

Joseph Sciame made a motion to Approve the minutes. Patricia Bramwell seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Academic and Family Life Committee

A. Committee Update

School resumed this past Monday. 67% of students are in person. 1/3 participating in remote learning. The final quarter to opt in for in person learning. We forecast that we will end the year with 1/3. NYCED and SUNY about order that came down from Pres Biden to proceed with assessments. The states will have to determine how they want to proceed with the Federal guidance. Schools may opt into waivers. There is no accountability attached to it. There are a lot of things to figure out. BSNBCS plans to administer a state test (Terranova ELA and state test in April. Keeps the pressure on the teachers. We still need accountability.

We have enough space in the building to accommodate 100% in a social distanced arrangement.

Kevin Nesbitt arrived at 6:18 PM.

III. Governance Committee

A. Committee Update

We went through the report. Sharing updates of where we stand on cultivating relationships. It was suggested that we need to work closely with the administration to find highly engaged and qualified parent candidate.

Tyler McConnell arrived at 6:24 PM.

IV. Finance Committee

A. Committee Update

Report reviewed. PPP loan restructured. No material changes on business-as-usual. Transition of payroll and benefits systems/process and vendor is underway. CFO Lisa-Renee went over the highlights of the complexity of managing this transition. The Leadership Team is happy with the decision to change.

Enrollment is holding steady. SpEd number is a subset of the Total. We are an official School Food Authority. We have our own food vendor - Genuine Foods. We are starting see catch up reimbursements and payments. There is a 1 year approval. We have to rebid the contract out to food management companies. An RFP. will issued. The Board will need to sign off on the decision in April or May.

There are no requirements for Women and minority owned businesses.

Leticia Theodore-Greene arrived at 6:34 PM.

V. Development

A. Committee's Update

Collateral material is under development for web.

Development meetings will be calendared.

VI. New and Old Business

A. New Business

The Board welcomed Vicky back. The Chair introduced our guest who is an intern.

B. Old Business

VII. Public Comments

A. Public comments

No Public Comments

VIII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Tamikka Pate left.

Met in exec session to discuss a legal issue. Establishment Vision 2.0 working group to be chaired by Tish.

Patricia Bramwell made a motion to Adjourn meeting.

Tyler McConnell 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, Doris Givens