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# Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools

## Minutes

### Monthly Board Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday March 15, 2022 at 6:00 PM

#### **Location**

Meeting is open to the public.

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#### **Trustees Present**

Cecelia Russo, Doris Givens, Josue De Paz, Kevin Nesbitt, Mikhael Edouard, Victor Rivera

#### **Trustees Absent**

Joseph Sciamè

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

Nicholas Tishuk

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

Nicholas Tishuk

#### **Guests Present**

Lisa-Renée Brown, Patience Brown, Patricia Bramwell, Shawn Carson

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### **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 Mar 15, 2022 at 6:00 PM.

### **C. Vote for Board Officer: Treasurer**

Cecelia Russo made a motion to nominate Doris Givens to the Board Officer position of Treasurer.

Josue De Paz seconded the motion.

Due to Tyler's resignation due to family obligations, his role as Treasurer must be filled. Doris has volunteered to support the work of the Finance Committee and fiscal oversight of the school as Treasurer.

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

#### **Roll Call**

Joseph Sciame	Absent
Mikhael Edouard	Absent
Victor Rivera	Aye
Josue De Paz	Aye
Doris Givens	Aye
Kevin Nesbitt	Aye
Cecelia Russo	Aye

### **D. Vote for Board Officer: Secretary**

Josue De Paz made a motion to nominate Cecelia Russo to the Board Officer position of Secretary.

Kevin Nesbitt seconded the motion.

Due to Doris' acceptance of the role of Treasurer, her previous position of Secretary must be filled. Cecelia has volunteered to support the work of the Board in the role as Secretary.

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

#### **Roll Call**

Josue De Paz	Aye
Joseph Sciame	Absent
Mikhael Edouard	Absent
Kevin Nesbitt	Aye
Victor Rivera	Aye
Cecelia Russo	Aye
Doris Givens	Aye

### **E. Review of 2-15-22 Minutes**

Kevin Nesbitt made a motion to approve the minutes from Monthly Board Meeting on 02-15-22.

Josue De Paz seconded the motion.

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

## **II. Academic and Family Life Committee**

### **A. Committee Update**

Committee Chair referred the board to the minutes of the Academic and Family Life Committee call.

Preparation for NYS tests are ongoing.

School is engaging in its regular staff review process, with the Q2 meetings.

The school surveys staff and strategically plans to meet student needs, promote staff retention and ensuring the staffing pipeline remains strong. The process helps morale as we have good communication with staff and staff input in the staffing plan.

Graduation is the morning of June 18th, 2022 at Medgar Evers College.

## **III. Governance Committee**

### **A. Committee Update**

Priorities remain the same in governance. We are still continuing to recruit trustees. Board assessment review will be reviewed and discussed further to continue the growth of the Board of Trustees; further discussion will be reviewed in Executive Session in April 2022.

## **IV. Finance Committee**

### **A. Committee Update**

Focus on having healthy conversations at committee meetings; focus on whats new, challenges and opportunities to ensure effective dialogue.

Current snapshot of enrollment for the day is 713 total students and 153 special education. A reminder that school has rolling enrollment, which may change week to week, throughout the year.

Bank Account balance remains strong, per pupil dropped and we remain in process for Payment 6 (May FY22)

We continue to follow our financial policies and procedures as we make payments for school expenses, with the appropriate levels of decision making and oversight on expenses.

At the April Finance Committee meeting, Executive Director will present initial draft of the FY23 budget, as a part of the ongoing master budgeting process, following the passing of the New York State budget, which includes the key FY23 student per pupil rate.

Finance Committee will review the adoption of a new financial investment policy, short term, long term, investment options for current cash savings and will present options to Board for review and approval

## **V. Public Comments**

### **A. Public comments**

There were no public comments.

## **VI. 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 7:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cecelia Russo