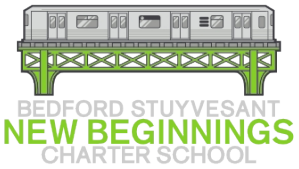
APPROVED



Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools

Minutes

June Monthly Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday June 28, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Location
82 Lewis Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206

Trustees Present
Cecelia Russo, Cynthia Aker, Doris Givens, Josue De Paz, Shawn Carson, Victor Rivera

Trustees Absent
Joseph Sciame, Kevin Nesbitt

Ex Officio Members Present
Nicholas Tishuk

Guests Present
Patricia Bramwell

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 Wednesday Jun 28, 2023 at 6:00 PM.

C. Approve May minutes

Doris Givens made a motion to approve the minutes from May Monthly Board Meeting on 05-17-23.
Josue De Paz seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Shawn Carson	Aye
Cynthia Aker	Aye
Victor Rivera	Aye
Doris Givens	Aye
Joseph Sciame	Absent
Cecelia Russo	Aye
Kevin Nesbitt	Absent
Josue De Paz	Aye

II. Academic and Family Life Committee

A. Committee Update

Career day was a huge success – the school recruited incredible panelists, including David Harbour, an actor from Stranger Things, and CEOs of major corporations and nonprofits to speak to our students about their professional journeys. Victor and Josue, board trustees, participated in the event.

We recently also celebrated our graduation – had two well-known keynote speakers (one motivational speaker and one fashion designer) and Kevin, our trustee, did a great job delivering his speech. We also honored a parent in the award ceremony.

In addition, BSNBCS gave out ~4k masks to our community during the Canadian Wildifre incidents, where the air quality index was poor for NYC.

III. Governance Committee

A. Committee Update

We have a candidate who is deeply interested in joining our board - he will be joining us for our July or August meeting or for summer school.

We have come to the end of terms for several members and need to vote them in for new 3-year terms.
Cynthia Aker made a motion to move forward with new three-year terms for Joe, Cecila, Josue, and Shawn from today and ending June 30th, 2026.
Doris Givens seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
Josue De Paz made a motion to move forward with a new two-year term for Cynthia from today and ending June 30th, 2025.
Cecelia Russo seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Finance Committee

A. Finance Committee Update

Nick filled in for Lisa Renee and provided the financial update - the school continues to be in good shape and there are no major expenses incurred. Separate from current financials, we have been applying for a number of grants for school expansion for the high school expansion – we found out today that we were awarded a grant for $749k.

B. Board Review of Federal Coronavirus Aid Funding- ESSER, ESSER2 and ARP

We are working on grant compliance as we're nearing the end of the reporting period for many of the government funding opportunities we leveraged for our school (CSSA, ARP, ESSER and more). We're documenting the expenses and the programmatic impact (health, education outcomes, etc) of those expenses to show the impact of the funding.

V. New Business

A. Recent News

One of our graduates who graduated two years ago was recently impacted by gun violence in our community – the school held a vigil and a march with local activists and students. We had resources available for students including licensed social workers and counselors, as well as talking to violence interrupters and other community groups. The staff was also given access to telehealth resources to help them deal with the news.
Cecelia Russo made a motion to enter executive session.
Shawn Carson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
Josue De Paz made a motion to end executive session.
Doris Givens seconded the motion.
The executive committee discussed personnel issues.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Closing Items

A.

Adjourn Meeting

Cynthia Aker made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Cecelia Russo seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Cecelia Russo	Aye
Doris Givens	Aye
Shawn Carson	Absent
Josue De Paz	Aye
Victor Rivera	Aye
Cynthia Aker	Aye
Joseph Sciame	Absent
Kevin Nesbitt	Absent

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:19 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Josue De Paz