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Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools

Minutes

October Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday October 18, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Location
82 Lewis Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206

Trustees Present
Doris Givens, Josue De Paz, Kevin Nesbitt, Shawn Carson, Victor Rivera

Trustees Absent
Cecelia Russo, Cynthia Aker, Joseph Sciame

Ex Officio Members Present
Nicholas Tishuk

Guests Present
Brian Blough, John Matos, Lamar Renee Garcia, Lisa-Renée Brown, Patience Brown, 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 Oct 18, 2023 at 6:08 PM.

C. Approve September minutes

Doris Givens made a motion to approve the minutes from September Board Meeting on 09-20-23.
Shawn Carson seconded the motion.
Approved with any needed corrections
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Academic and Family Life Committee

A. Committee Update

Nicholas and Patience presented the now unembargoed NYS testing data for Grades 3-8. The board talked through the state test analysis for spring 2023 – data is in context of the schools across the city, and students across district 16, where our school outperformed against all categories, especially in SPED and ELL.

We spoke too about the funding comparison at the school compared to other schools in DOE – we were underfunded (by 29%) but had remarkable results in closing the achievement gap.

III. Governance Committee

A. Committee Update

The committee worked on the upcoming Board fundraiser.

B. Vote on Board Officers

Doris nominated Shawn for Treasurer, Kevin seconded. Victor, Kevin and Josue to stay on as their receptive positions. Motion to elect that slate by John, seconded by Cecelia. Passed 7-0. Terms are through June 30th, 2024. We have a new board member, John - no other updates until after our upcoming fundraiser.
Doris Givens made a motion to nominate Shawn Carson for the officer position of Treasurer.
Kevin Nesbitt seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Finance Committee

A. Finance Committee Update

Lisa-Renee presented on the finances of the school. Team has done a wonderful job at keeping enrollment consistent through the beginning of the year with 728 currently enrolled, from the 710 projected. November 13th is the public meeting for our audit meeting for the Finance Committee.

V. Development Committee

A. Development

Gala is going really well – there's a strong forecast for ticket sales and we need all board members to get their commits through the door. We'll be meeting on the 27th to chat further about next steps.

VI. Public Comments

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There were no public omments.

VII. 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 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Josue De Paz