



# Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools

# **Minutes**

# **December Board Meeting**

#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday December 20, 2023 at 6:00 PM

#### Location

82 Lewis Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206

#### **Trustees Present**

Cecelia Russo, John Matos, Joseph Sciame, Josue De Paz, Kevin Nesbitt, Shawn Carson, Victor Rivera

#### **Trustees Absent**

Cynthia Aker, Doris Givens

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

Nicholas Tishuk

# **Non Voting Members Present**

Nicholas Tishuk

#### **Guests Present**

Brian Blough, Lamar Renee Garcia, Lisa-Renée Brown, Patience Brown, Patricia Bramwell, Sayo Kamara

# 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 Dec 20, 2023 at 6:04 PM.

### C. Approve November minutes

Joseph Sciame made a motion to approve the minutes from November Board Meeting on 11-15-23.

Shawn Carson seconded the motion.

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

# II. Academic and Family Life Committee

# A. Committee Update

The school got back the testing results and students outperformed in many categories including at district 16 and state levels, in both Math and ELA. Each parent gets a letter with their student's performance on the tests. Students have until Jan 8 for winter break, with this Friday being the last day in school.

#### **III. Governance Committee**

#### A. Committee Update

Committee is always looking to recruit new members; will discuss merger news shortly. Victor mentioned that the gala was a huge success in getting new people into the room to learn about the school.

#### **IV. Finance Committee**

# A. Finance Committee Update

The committee shared that we have no big changes to financials – we will have a report soon on the GALA financials. Will be talking more about the money we'll be shifting from accounts for the potential signing of the lease for the new high school which the board will vote on today.

# B. Real Estate

Kevin Nesbitt made a motion to approve the resolution designating BSNBCS as the guarantor for lease for the new high school facility.

Shawn Carson seconded the motion.

The Board discussed the motion and the role of the school as guarantor for the lease of the new high school facility. The high school will open in August 2023.

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

Cecelia Russo made a motion to to enter into Executive Session to discuss legal and real estate matters.

Shawn Carson seconded the motion.

The Board discussed legal and real estate matters than re-entered regular session.

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

# 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 7:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Josue De Paz