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# Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools

## Minutes

### June Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Tuesday June 18, 2024 at 6:00 PM

#### Location

82 Lewis Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206

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#### Trustees Present

Cecelia Russo, Doris Givens, John Matos, Joseph Sciamé, Victor Rivera

#### Trustees Absent

Cynthia Aker, Josue De Paz, Kevin Nesbitt, Shawn Carson

#### Ex Officio Members Present

Nicholas Tishuk

#### Non Voting Members Present

Nicholas Tishuk

#### Guests Present

Brian Blough, Patricia Bramwell

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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 Jun 18, 2024 at 6:01 PM.

### **C. Approve May Minutes**

Cecelia Russo made a motion to approve the minutes from May 15th Board Meeting on 05-15-24.

Joseph Sciame seconded the motion.

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

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

### **A. Committee Update**

Chair Cecelia Russo updated the Board on Academic and Family Life committee's work. She congratulated and acknowledged the staff, parents and students and team for the recent 8th grade graduation. She emphasized the importance of families in the success of our students. Chair Victor agreed and commended the school on this event.

She updated the Board on the students stepping up from the 8th grade to the 9th grade. The HS will include foreign language options, including Spanish, and work based learning. She encouraged Trustees to look at events shared on the school's website and she emphasized that the parents were satisfied this year.

Principal Blough updated the Board on the recent Enrichment Week program. Students have been excited about the upcoming high school opening. They've been working on an enrichment week where they were able to learn more about drones and other technology. About 75 students will be committing to the high school. Students have also taken regents in the past few weeks.

## **III. Governance Committee**

### **A. Committee Update**

We discussed potential dates for the upcoming board retreat, both in July and the trustees agreed on July 12th. The meetings for the rest of the year have been scheduled and sent through June 18th, 2025. The school also completed the BoardLead approval process with 2 trustees and the school should know something over the summer about new board candidates. By October, the school will communicate whether or not they'll move forward with the candidate.

## **IV. Finance Committee**

### **A.**

### **Finance Committee Update**

The school is in a strong financial position and we're working on ensuring that all the money we secured comes in on a timely basis. Additionally, we received a \$350k grant and \$500k from two foundations. CSP (Federal grant) also will be sharing \$300k with the school for the high school. The school is also working on ensuring that all compliance matters are settled with benefits reporting.

## **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 6:57 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Josue De Paz