APPROVED

Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools

Minutes

Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday May 20, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Location
82 Lewis Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206

Trustees Present
Cynthia Aker, Doris Givens, John Matos, Kevin Nesbitt, Shawn Carson, Simone Pratt, Victor Rivera

Trustees Absent
Cecelia Russo, Joseph Sciame, Vishal Gupta

Ex Officio Members Present
Nicholas Tishuk

Guests Present
Lamar Renee Garcia, Lisa-Renée Brown, Michael Taylor, Patience Brown

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B.

Call the Meeting to Order

Kevin Nesbitt called a meeting of the board of trustees of Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools to order on Wednesday May 20, 2026 at 6:25 PM.

C. Approve April Meeting Minutes

Kevin Nesbitt made a motion to approve the minutes from Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools Board Meeting on 04-15-26.
Cynthia Aker seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Academic and Family Life Committee

A. Committee Update

Chief Academic Officer Patience Brown updated the Board on the work of the academic committee. She highlighted today's Middle School performance of Willy Wonka and several events coming up: Prom, Middle School Enrichment Week, 8th Grade Stepping Up and other events included in the attached flyer. Career Day is June 2nd and all Trustees are invited to attend.

BSNBCS has completed its 3-8 New York State Assessments. We have students in Middle School taking Life Science Biology and the Algebra Exams. At the high school, we have Global history, Algebra, Geometry, Life Science Biology and Earth and Space Science exams. Our last day of school is prior to Juneteenth. The trustees discussed the 8th grade students who are stepping up and the process to join our high school and the process for applying to other schools.

Trustees asked questions about the College and Career Readiness program and the high school sports program.

III. Finance Committee

A. Finance Committee Update

Chair John Matos presented on the work of the finance committee and update dhte Board on the numbers.

B. Review and Vote on FY27 Budget

Executive Director Tishuk presented the proposed FY27 budget to the Board. Trustees asked questions about Compensation assumptions, per pupil revenues and the overall uncertainty related to the late New York State budget.

The Board voted and unanimously approved the FY27 budget as presented.

IV. Governance Committee

A. Committee Update

Chair Doris Givens reminded the Board of the planned July Board meeting and retreat on July 24th.

Friday, July 24th, 2026 12:30pm
Wednesday, August 19th, 2026 6pm
Wednesday, September 16th, 2026
Wednesday, October 21st, 2026
Wednesday, November 18th, 2026
Wednesday, December 16th, 2026
Wednesday, January 20th, 2027
Wednesday, February, 24th, 2027 (4th Wednesday due to Midwinter Recess)
Wednesday, March 17th, 2027
Wednesday, April 21st, 2027
Wednesday, May 19th, 2027
Wednesday, June 16th, 2027

V. Development Committee

A. Committee Update

Chair Simone Pratt let the board know there were no updates of the Development Committee.

VI. Public Comments

A. Public comments

There were no public comments.

B. Executive Session

The Board entered into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter, upon motion duly made, second and approved.

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 8:19 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicholas Tishuk