APPROVED

Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools

Minutes

Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday June 17, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Location
82 Lewis Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206

Trustees Present
Cecelia Russo, Cynthia Aker, Doris Givens, Kevin Nesbitt, Shawn Carson, Simone Pratt, Victor Rivera

Trustees Absent
John Matos, Joseph Sciame, Vishal Gupta

Ex Officio Members Present
Nicholas Tishuk

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

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 Jun 17, 2026 at 6:21 PM.

C. Approve May Meeting Minutes

Victor Rivera made a motion to approve the minutes from Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools Board Meeting on 05-20-26.
Shawn Carson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Academic and Family Life Committee

A. Committee Update

Chair Nesbitt acknowledged the graduation ceremony of our 8th grade students; Vice Chair Carson spoke on behalf of the Board. Academic Chair Russo reflected that our 8th grade class had a great deal of support for each other and appreciation for each other.

Academic Chair Cecelia Russo updated the Board on the work of the Academic Committee. 770 students are enrolled K-8 and 240 in the high school. There were several middle school celebrations that occurred. The Middle and High School teams started Regents sessions; Mr. Tishuk shared the update on the New York State Board of Regents recent publication of the 'Inspire New York' framework which would dramatically change the requirements for graduation requirements for 12th graders in New York State.

III. Finance Committee

A. Finance Committee Update

Chief Operating Officer Michael Taylor updated the Board on the work of the finance committee; including student enrollment at 1100 and the school's financial position which remains strong. The Board discussed staff salaries, consultant costs and spend on marketing. The Committee also reviewed the SUNY Charter School Institute's Fiscal Performance Summary and discussed these metrics, including the new FASB

IV. Governance Committee

A. Committee Update

Chair Doris Givens confirmed the Board process of self-assessment will be launched via survey next month. The Board updated the calendar for the next Board meeting to take place on July 10th.

V. Development Committee

A. Committee Update

Chair Simone Pratt shared the review of the school's student recruitment efforts and new efforts for fundraising by the Board.

VI. Public Comments

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There were no public comments.

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 7:16 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicholas Tishuk