



Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday November 29, 2016 at 6:00 PM

Location

82 Lewis Avenue

Trustees Present

Cecelia Russo, Dalia Oberlander, Joseph Sciame, Kevin Nesbitt, Marlena Mondesir, Patricia Bramwell, Victor Rivera

Trustees Absent

Angel Charriez, Leticia Theodore-Greene

Trustees who arrived after the meeting opened

Kevin Nesbitt

Ex Officio Members Present

Nicholas Tishuk

Non Voting Members Present

Nicholas Tishuk

Guests Present

Lisa- Renee Brown, Nicole Knight- Parent, Reina Raju, Silbia Pagan, Vicky D'Anjou-Pomerleau, Wanda Morales

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Joseph Sciamme called a meeting of the board of trustees of Bedford Stuyvesant New Beginnings Charter Schools to order on Tuesday Nov 29, 2016 at 6:05 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

Chairman Sciamme and Mr. Russo presented corrections for the October meeting minutes. Ms. Mondesir informed the board how to send corrections to before the meeting. M. Mondesir will receive a copy of the corrections for the September and October meeting and make the necessary changes by December 9th.

Cecelia Russo made a motion to approve minutes Board Meeting on 10-20-16.

Victor Rivera seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Victor Rivera	Aye
Leticia Theodore-Greene	Absent
Marlena Mondesir	Aye
Angel Charriez	Absent
Kevin Nesbitt	Aye
Dalia Oberlander	Aye
Joseph Sciamme	Aye
Cecelia Russo	Aye
Patricia Bramwell	Aye

D. Approve New Board Members

Cecelia Russo made a motion to approve Nancy Cavaluzzi and Doris Givens as new board members, which will start the approval process through our authorizers.

Victor Rivera seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Cecelia Russo	Aye
Leticia Theodore-Greene	Absent
Dalia Oberlander	Aye
Marlena Mondesir	Aye
Victor Rivera	Aye
Patricia Bramwell	Aye
Joseph Sciamme	Aye
Kevin Nesbitt	Absent
Angel Charriez	Absent

II. School Status Update

A. 2016 Audit Review

Kevin Nesbitt arrived.

Victor Rivera made a motion to accept audit results.

Patricia Bramwell seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Joseph Sciamme	Aye
Kevin Nesbitt	Abstain
Marlena Mondesir	Aye
Angel Charriez	Absent
Dalia Oberlander	Aye
Leticia Theodore-Greene	Absent
Cecelia Russo	Aye
Victor Rivera	Aye
Patricia Bramwell	Aye

B. Presentation by the School Management Team

Mr. Tishuk gave a brief description of the PD that was conducted during the Monday through Wednesday before Thanksgiving. The scholars were given the week off to allow the teachers this time. The mid year evaluation has also started after the Thanksgiving holiday.

Lisa Raye introduced Raina Raju as new HR associate.

III. Committees Reports

A. Executive Committee Report

Chairman Sciamme gave a brief overview of the process the new board members will experience from our authorizer.

B. Family Life Committee Report

Mr. Nesbitt gave a brief overview of the a call the committee experienced after the last meeting. During this call, the parents frustrations were discussed and how to properly address parents concerns as well as support the school membership. The committee had two meetings with the parents. The first meeting discussed how to structure the PFO elections and include the entire parent and family participants. The second meeting firmed up the election protocol. The two takeaways from the meeting presented a parent meeting on December 8th from 7:30-9am to meet potential candidates for office. A flyer was backpacked with scholars in English and Spanish on December 29th. The parents who have participated as an advisory group will organize a holiday event. The following

week December 12-16, parents can vote, using a candidate guide that the school will provide. The officers for election are president, vice president, secretary and treasurer.

Due to the fact that this organization will be a separate organization from the school, any monies they receive will be their responsibility and will not have any connection with the school. Mr. Rivera mentioned that it will be need to be clear that the organization is a separate organization and not an "arm" of the school and should be reflected in all documentations presented by this organization. The issue arose about if the school should have someone to liason with this organization for guidance. Mr. Nesbitt asked for all advice and concerns to be sent to him.

C. Education Committee Report

Ms. Russo presented an overview of the education committee call on November 15th. Patience and Silbia attend the call. The meeting discussed the parents frustrations at the October meeting, potential replacements, the school trip to St. John's in December and how to address the school alumni.

D. Finance Committee Report

Mr. Tishuk will send the board a quarterly financial report for review.

IV. New Business

A. Public Comments

B. Executive session

Cecelia Russo made a motion to to go into executive session.

Victor Rivera seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Kevin Nesbitt	Aye
Cecelia Russo	Aye
Patricia Bramwell	Aye
Angel Charriez	Absent
Dalia Oberlander	Aye
Leticia Theodore-Greene	Absent
Victor Rivera	Aye
Marlena Mondesir	Aye
Joseph Sciamie	Aye

Kevin Nesbitt made a motion to close executive session.

Patricia Bramwell seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Leticia Theodore-Greene Absent

Roll Call

Joseph Sciamè	Aye
Angel Charriez	Absent
Dalia Oberlander	Aye
Cecelia Russo	Aye
Marlena Mondesir	Aye
Kevin Nesbitt	Aye
Victor Rivera	Aye
Patricia Bramwell	Aye

C. Return to public meeting

D. Report from the executive session

Chairman Sciamè announced that there were no decision required from executive session. The Board discussed legal and personal issues.

E. New Business

Chairman Sciamè presented the list of committees and their participants:

Executive- Joe

Marlena

Patricia

Angel

Cecilia

Finance- Angel

Victor

Patricia

Education- Cecilia

Kevin

Marlena

Dalia

Family Life- Kevin Chair

Patricia

Leticia

Marlena

Cecilia (ad Hoc)

Fundraising- Leticia

Leticia

Victor

Grievance-Victor

Cecilia
Kevin

Chief Executive Review Committee- Joe
Marlena
Cecilia
Kevin

Chairman Sciame addressed last month's public comments section. Mr. Nesbitt stated that he addressed the tension with the parent advisory group. The group decided that they will address how to address public comments.

V. 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 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Joseph Sciame

Victor Rivera made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Kevin Nesbitt seconded the motion.

The motion did not carry.