



# Pharos Academy Charter School

## **Minutes**

## BLCS June 2018 Board Meeting

#### **Date and Time**

Thursday June 21, 2018 at 6:30 PM

#### Location

Bronx Lighthouse Charter School

#### **Trustees Present**

D. Kaplan, E. DeGonzalez, E. Kinsey, F. Merine, J. Lopez-Molina, N. Jones, R. Granado, V. Caba

#### **Trustees Absent**

B. Thompson, S. Sutherland

#### **Guests Present**

A. Duggins (remote), C. Ginty, C. Russell (remote), M. Dorsey, M. Rousseau (remote), M. Saulo (remote), T. Brown

## I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance and Guests

## B. Call the Meeting to Order

C. Ginty called a meeting of the board of trustees of Pharos Academy Charter School to order on Thursday Jun 21, 2018 at 6:53 PM.

#### **II. Public Comments**

#### A. Public Comments

Alicia Heffner- Juana Medrano (Budget amendment to keep Juana Medrano)

Thomasina - Juana Medrano

Dawn Duran - Daughter not allowed to walk in Graduation 2018

Dana Johnson - New President of PA announced - Kimberly Harper

Kimberly M. Harper - Parent Association updates

Shakisha Patterson - Attendance/Tardy question

#### **III. Board Governance**

#### A. Board Governance

Summer Board Strategy Session: Date Option July 22, 3-5 PM @ Columbia Members requested to complete the Board Survey in preparation for the Board Retreat/Board Strategy

Board Fund: Javier

Board Members to contribute \$202.00 each as a fundraiser activity.

Board Recruitment Strategy: Javier

Board Member count at 10, with the goal of 11

2 Candidates to be interviewed. Sara P. Madavo & Joe Bennett

Board By Laws: Eric

2012 By Laws reviewed by Eric and Courtney

Suggestion to seek legal guidance with the ByLaw review process

Academic Committee update

5 Key Practices/Strategies for K-12

Executive Director Feedback - Pushed to next Board Meeting

#### IV. Executive Director Comments/Report

#### A. LHA Executive Director Report

Director of Data Specialist - Start Date July 9, 2018
10 NYU Residents Starting 2018-19
Director of Talent Director - Update working well on Talent Sourcing
Teacher compensation/ Salary scale updates to come
Interim Assessments - Activities & Updates discussed

#### V. LHA NY 18 - 19 Personnel Handbook

## A. 18 - 19 Personnel Handbook Approval

Courtney Russell - Discussed & Reviewed Discussed changes in PTO, FMLA Updates.

Javier motioned to approve handbook Evelyn second motion All present approved

## VI. Principal's Report

#### A. Principal's Report

Principal Update: Alix Duggins
39 Students Confirmed to Graduate
11 Students for August 2018
8 Students for January 2019

2016-17 School Year numbers compared:26 out of 68 in doubt of graduating in 2017Graduating Students Count?Data will be researched, reviewed and discussed

To be discussed further in Executive Session

Principal Update: Travis Brown

Enrollment & Retention data discussed CPA Summer support programs discussed

#### VII. Finance

## A. Building Financing

Build NYC approval discussed Meeting and Progress Updates

## **B.** Finance Report

May Financials discussed Focus on a better return on cash

- R. Granado made a motion to Approve May 2018 Financials.
- F. Merine seconded the motion.

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

## C. FY 2019 Budget

Budget Process discussed - Mary Beth
Enrollment/WaitList activities and responsibilities transferred to Courtney Russell
Amending ByLaws to transfer responsibilities to LHA
LHA to manage the process moving forward

Budget Review discussed - Travis Brown

Clarity on the budget process discussed.

Staffing changes discussed

Compensation decisions discussed - How are changes made without Board knowledge Evaluation process to be reviewed and presented to Board by Travis Brown to establish accountability

Lack of consistency for LA & CPA - Staff Development implementation Academic budget review discussed in detail

- J. Lopez-Molina made a motion to Approve the 2018-2019 Budget.
- E. DeGonzalez seconded the motion.

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

## VIII. Closing Items

## A. Adjourn Meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 10:42 PM

Executive Session started at 10:45 PM Executive Session ended at 11:44 PM

Meeting resumed at 11:45 PM to approve 2018-19 budget.

Meeting adjourned at 11:58PM

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 11:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, M. Dorsey

## IX. School Operations

#### A. Approve Minutes

- J. Lopez-Molina made a motion to approve minutes from the BLCS May 2018 Board Meeting on 05-17-18 BLCS May 2018 Board Meeting on 05-17-18.
- V. Caba seconded the motion.

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

#### X. Board Member Interviews

## A. BLCS Board Interviews

**Board Introduction** 

Sara Madavo present for interview with Board.

- J. Lopez-Molina made a motion to To accept Sara Madavo as a new board member.
- V. Caba seconded the motion.

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