



Bronx Charter School for the Arts

Minutes

Board of Trustees Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday August 13, 2019 at 6:30 PM

Location

TBD (Zoom Details for meetings to follow)

Trustees Present

Ahmad Sheikh (remote), Barbara H. Scott (remote), Dan Vislocky (remote), Denise Brecher (remote), Eric Osorio (remote), Graham Powis (remote), Patricia Kennedy (remote), Susan Geisenheimer (remote)

Trustees Absent

Aisha Bell, Arlene Bascom, Charles Whites, Katherine Trager, Lori Biancamano

Guests Present

Karlene Cowan (remote), Miriam Raccach (remote), Tatiana Nadal (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Graham Powis called a meeting of the board of trustees of Bronx Charter School for the Arts to order on Tuesday Aug 13, 2019 at 6:37 PM.

C.

Public Session

D. Approve Minutes

Graham Powis made a motion to approve minutes from the Board of Trustees Meeting on 07-09-19 Board of Trustees Meeting on 07-09-19.

Susan Geisenheimer seconded the motion.

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

II. Nominating

A. Executive Director Evaluation -- Update

No report.

B. Nominating and Evaluations Committee Update

Susan Geisenheimer reported that the Nominating Committee is interviewing a potential board member identified by Board Assist as well as continuing to look for tech and finance people.

III. Finance

A. June Financials

Tatiana Nadal reported on the June Financials. She also mentioned that audit preparation was underway and auditors would be on site the week of August 19th.

IV. Operations

A. School Readiness

Karlene reported on the preparation for beginning of the year at both schools. Miriam and Karlene discussed current staffing situation at both schools in addition to late resignations. With the board there was discussion about teacher retention and the data around teacher salaries.

V. Development

A. Development Update

Miriam discussed fundraising needs for the year as per the budget. A Development Committee call is scheduled for September 4th. There was discussion about clarifying the "Give/Get" expectations. It was suggested that the committee propose something for the full board.

VI. Executive Director Presentation

A. Charter Renewal Update

Miriam shared that the Renewal Application is complete and would be submitted on 8/14. Miriam requested that board members read the application in advance of the October board meeting and informed the board that Laura Hill from SED would be present at the October board meeting.

B. Board Committee Goals

Miriam suggested that committees put their annual goals in Board on Track.

C. 967 Longfellow -- Space for sale

The building across the street has come to the market. Miriam discussed the square footage and the possibility of working with Vicus Partners on a development for the school. An exclusive would be required. She and Dan Vislocky agreed to discuss and have a call with Vicus.

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 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara H. Scott