



Bronx Charter School for the Arts

Minutes

Monthly Board Meeting

Date and Time Tuesday October 8, 2019 at 6:30 PM

Location Bronx Arts Middle School - 1440 Story Avenue

Trustees Present

Ahmad Sheikh, Aisha Bell, Charles Whites, Dan Vislocky (remote), Denise Brecher (remote), Eric Osorio, Graham Powis, Katherine Trager, Lori Biancamano, Patricia Kennedy, Susan Geisenheimer

Trustees Absent Arlene Bascom, Barbara H. Scott

Guests Present

Jonea Thomas, Karlene Cowan, Miriam Raccah, Richard Gonzalez, Tatiana Nadal

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

Additionally, Laura Hill from SED was present.

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Miriam Raccah called a meeting of the board of trustees of Bronx Charter School for the Arts to order on Tuesday Oct 8, 2019 at 6:30 PM.

C. Public Session

D. Approve Minutes

Graham Powis made a motion to approve minutes from the Board of Trustees Meeting on 09-10-19 Board of Trustees Meeting on 09-10-19. Katherine Trager seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Nominating Committee

A. Update on Board Self Evaluation

Miriam discussed the process for the Board self evaluation. Karlene Cowan will manage the process.

III. Finance

A. Aug. Financials and Audit Update

Tatiana Nadal presented the financials from August. She also updated the board on the audit which is underway.

IV. Program Committee Report

A. Assessment Schedule

Eric Osorio and Kathy Trager discussed the academic assessment schedule and the program committee meeting schedule for the year which is aligned with the assessments. Kathy Trager shared the principals' goals for grades 3 through 7 for the State Tests. Miriam mentioned that this is the first year that we are using NWEA in place of Terra Nova.

B. Principals update on Assessments & Professional Development

Jonea and Richard discussed professional development that their teachers are participating in. At BAE they are undergoing Responsive Classroom training and Teachers College and Navigator are regularly in the school working with teachers and leaders. At BAM, they lead weekly PD depending on what needs they identify in the week. Richard discussed the creation of tiers for RTI. Both schools have recently completed NWEA testing.

V. Executive Director

A. Dashboard

Karlene Cowan walked through the board through the Dashboard.

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Lori Biancamano made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Susan Geisenheimer seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion. There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Karlene Cowan