



Bronx Charter School for the Arts

Minutes

Monthly Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday May 12, 2020 at 6:30 PM

Location

Zoom

Trustees Present

Ahmad Sheikh (remote), Aisha Bell (remote), Arlene Bascom (remote), Barbara H. Scott (remote), Dan Vislocky (remote), Denise Brecher (remote), Graham Powis (remote), Katherine Trager (remote), Lori Biancamano (remote), Patricia Kennedy (remote)

Trustees Absent

Charles Whites, Eric Osorio, Susan Geisenheimer

Guests Present

Jonea Thomas (remote), Karlene Cowan (remote), Miriam Raccah (remote), Ryan McCabe (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Barbara H. Scott called a meeting of the board of trustees of Bronx Charter School for the Arts to order on Tuesday May 12, 2020 at 6:38 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

Arlene Bascom made a motion to approve the minutes from Monthly Board Meeting on 04-14-20.

Denise Brecher seconded the motion.

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

II. Finance

A. April Financials

Miriam Raccah and Arlene Bascom reported.

We are still trending positive net income. Some lines over due to the hiring of consultants to offset staff that was not hired. Expenses trending a little lower due to current situation.

We have been working on budget for some time with different scenarios due to the amount of uncertainty. We will have a budget a week or two before June Board meeting.

B. PPP Documents Attached

PPP Loan has been deposited into the Signature Bank account. Having a local bank helped us a lot. Lori Biancomano will send one pager to the Board explaining the loan details and terms.

III. Operations Presentation

A. Operations During Covid-19 Presentation Powerpoint

Karlene Cowan presented to the Board on how the operations team has supported in the launch of distance learning and other supports to families through the Covid-19 pandemic.

IV. Executive Director Report

A. Miriam Raccah reported the following. State keeping per pupil flat.

Students not in NYS are still distance learning each day.

Overall Bx Arts attendance school-wide is 88%.

Not anticipating laying off any staff.

Barbara Scott remarked on need for Director of Development and Director of Finance.

May have opportunities at talent due to current circumstances.

V. Development

A. Development Report

Ahmad Sheikh presented on Development committee meeting.

- Will provide information to the Board on more regular basis
- Will put together Dashboards with KPI's for the Board
- The committee wants to make sure that there is a large group of people who know the Bronx Arts story.
- Double down on communications
- Building the ideal donor profile
- Content development needs to be crafted (one pagers etc)
- Planning for a virtual event
- Ahmad will engage with Benefit Committee

Lori Biancamano suggests making the Fall event virtual and committing to that now.

VI. 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 7:44 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Katherine Trager