



## Bronx Charter School for the Arts

### Minutes

#### Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Tuesday June 9, 2020 at 6:30 PM

**Location**

ZOOM

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**Trustees Present**

Aisha Bell (remote), Arlene Bascom (remote), Barbara H. Scott (remote), Charles Whites (remote), Dan Vislocky (remote), Denise Brecher (remote), Eric Osorio (remote), Graham Powis (remote), Katherine Trager (remote), Lori Biancamano (remote), Susan Geisenheimer (remote)

**Trustees Absent**

Ahmad Sheikh, Patricia Kennedy

**Guests Present**

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

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**I. Opening Items****A. Record Attendance****B. Call the Meeting to Order****C. Approve Minutes**

Arlene Bascom made a motion to approve the minutes of the Monthly Board Meeting on 05-12-20.

Lori Biancamano seconded the motion.

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

## **II. Development**

### **A. Development Report**

There was no Development Report.

## **III. Finance**

### **A. May Financials**

The Board reviewed the May financials and had no questions.

### **B. FY 2020-21 Budget**

Miriam presented a PowerPoint that was an overview of the 2020/21 budget.

Susan Geisenheimer made a motion to Approve the 2020/2021 Bronx Arts budget.

Arlene Bascom seconded the motion.

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

### **C. Resolution - Charter School Growth Fund Technology Loan**

Arlene Bascom made a motion to Approve the loan.

Lori Biancamano seconded the motion.

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

## **IV. Executive Director's Report**

### **A. Planning 2020-21**

The principals joined the call to discuss the reopening of the school in September. The Team of Directors has recently joined the Executive Leadership Team to support the reopening plans. The school still does not have sufficient information from the State or other external entities to establish the procedures for reopening.

Summer session will be virtual.

We are planning a hybrid model for return in September 2020.

Miriam invited the Board to a virtual event on June 23rd. The Show Must Go On!

Miriam discussed the Buddy Program, where middle school to college level students can partner with a Bronx Arts student for reading or tutoring in a specific subject.

### **B.**

### **Equity Teams (BAE/BAM)**

Karlene Cowan shared audio of middle school students discussing race and inequity.

Jonea Thomas discussed the Equity Team at the Elementary School.

Ryan McCabe discussed the Equity Team at the Middle School.

### **C. BLACC Membership Fee**

Miriam Raccah told the Board about BLACC (Black Latinx, Asian Charter Collaborative).

Bronx Arts will join BLACC and not renew its contract with NECSA.

BLACC has been more instrumental with advocacy. Currently BLACC has access to PPE at lower rates due to bulk purchasing.

### **D. Return to Work Survey**

Karlene Cowan presented a PowerPoint that summarized the results of the Staff Return to Work Survey.

## **V. Other Business**

### **A. CEO Evaluation**

Barbara Scott informed the Board that this is the time of year that they will receive the link to the CEO evaluation. The Board will also receive the Board evaluation.

## **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 8:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Katherine Trager

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### **Documents used during the meeting**

- BXCSEA FY20 Financials-May 2020\_6.2.20.xlsx
- BXCSEA FY20 May 2020 Financial Narrative\_6.2.20.docx
- BXCSEA FY21 Budget\_6.4.20 (1).xlsx
- FY2020-21 FY Budget Presentation.pptx-3.pdf
- Board Resolution\_CSGF Tech Loan.docx
- Return To Work Survey - Summary.pdf