



Bronx Charter School for the Arts

Minutes

Monthly Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday December 14, 2021 at 9:30 AM

Trustees Present

Arlene Bascom (remote), Barbara H. Scott (remote), Charles Whites (remote), Dan Vislocky (remote), David Barnard (remote), Denise Brecher (remote), Katherine Trager (remote), Lori Biancamano (remote)

Trustees Absent

Eric Osorio, Sara Villagio, Susan Geisenheimer

Guests Present

Erica Jones (remote), Evette Stair- Radlein (remote), Jasmin Abbatiello (remote), Jerry Phelps (remote), Karen Drezner (remote), Karlene Cowan (remote), Melanie Hok (remote), Miriam Raccah (remote), Patricia Rooney (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 Dec 14, 2021 at 9:35 AM.

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Approve the minutes for November 2021

Charles Whites made a motion to approve the minutes from Monthly Board Meeting on 11-09-21.

Dan Vislocky seconded the motion.

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

II. Finance

A. FY21-22 Financials as of November 2021

Melanie Hok presented the November Financial Report.

B. Proposed Staff Retention Stipends

Arlene Bascom made a motion to approve a staff stipend in the amount of \$1250. Lori Biancamano seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. Development

A. Development Report

Jasmin Abbatiello presented the Development report and spoke on the fundraising, marketing efforts for recruitment and enrollment, as well as upcoming events. Ms. Abbatiello informed all regarding the two new staff members added to Development.

IV. Program Report

A. Arts & Athletics

Jerry Phelps reiterated the art programs and how they are implemented at BAE & BAM. Mr. Phelps spoke about the challenges of having 50% of 6th graders coming in from local schools that may have not had prior art instruction. Mr. Phelps also introduced to the board the addition of an athletic program. The teams will be called the Bronx Arts Blazers and the first sport will be basketball.

V. Executive Director Report

A. Retreat Agenda

Miriam Raccah and Barbara Scott spoke about inviting Sandra Chapman to present on equity work at the January Board Retreat. Ms. Raccah gave an update on the Chief Academic Officer search, Executive Search Firm proposals and the current status of the search.

Dashboard

The dashboard did not get discussed, however Miriam Raccah advised that the link will be sent out in addition to the PDF presentation following the meeting.

VI. Closing Items

A. Executive Session

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 AM.

Respectfully Submitted, Katherine Trager