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Next Generation Charter Schools

Minutes

MetLCS April 2018 Board Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday April 26, 2018 at 6:30 PM

Location
180 W. 165th Street Bronx, NY

Trustees Present
A. Bothner, A. Khatiwada, G. Goldsmith, J. Haber, J. Lee, S. Nesterova

Trustees Absent
T. Bryan

Trustees who arrived after the meeting opened
J. Lee

Guests Present
Kurt Davidson, L. Williams, M. Alston, M. Mustafa (remote), M. Rousseau (remote), Reco Charity, T. Brown, T. Williams

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Haber called a meeting of the board of trustees of Next Generation Charter Schools to order on Thursday Apr 26, 2018 at 6:41 PM.

C. Review the Agenda

J. Haber reviewed the agenda for tonight.

II. Principal's Report

A.

K - 9 Update

T. Williams discusses the PAL report. T. Williams reports that the school just finished ELA State Exams. The school will be having the Math state exams next week. T. Williams reviews the attendance, enrollment and behavior sections of the report. For the month of March there has been limited amounts of data, but the school will be taking several exams. T. Williams discusses that the 9th grade will be having taking regents in June. The school will be having NWEA and IA testing the next couple of weeks. J. Haber asks if there has been a change in the tests this year. T. Williams states that the test should be very similar to previous years. K. Davidson states that due to the change of the days from 3 to 2 days, he feels the scholars may have lost stamina. K. Davidson states the rigor of the test remained very similar. T. Williams presented the board with a flyer with the last major events of the current school year. A. Khatiwada asks if the upcoming school has major changes. T. Williams states no there aren't any major changes. T. Williams discuss the additional afterschool program that the school provided this school year. A. Khatiwada asks if data is taken on the programs. T.Williams states that the plan is to collect data to see if the program is helpful to the scholars.
J. Lee arrived.
J. Haber made a motion to to approve the 2018-2019 school calendar.
A. Khatiwada seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

III. Executive Director Report

A. Monthly Update

T. Brown discusses the ED report. T. Brown announces the new hires of the director of data and director of talent position. J. Haber asks what the director of talent position will help with. T. Brown explained the director of talent will be responsible for certification statues for teachers and assists principal with hiring of teachers. T. Brown states that there will be a new student information system that will help all schools performance. This system will be used for attendance, data, grades, robo calls, etc. The system is currently be worked on so it can go live in August to all LHA NY schools. T. Brown discusses the school design partnerships. T. Brown plans to work with T.Williams to map out a plan for the high school. J. Haber asks what is the difference between the new organizations presented tonight and the previous design. T. Brown will give a timeline to the board after the engagement with the two proposed partnerships are done. J. Haber will like a presentation from LHA about the model of the school. J. Haber asked T. Williams to re-present the principal goals discussed for the current school year the next board meeting.

IV. Public Comments

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There are no public comments to report.

V. Board Governance

A. Approve Minutes from March 22, 2018 Board Meeting

A. Khatiwada made a motion to approve minutes from the MetLCS March 2018 Board Meeting on 03-22-18 MetLCS March 2018 Board Meeting on 03-22-18.
J. Haber seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. Board Governance

J. Haber discuss the MetLCS Bylaws Revisions. J. Haber states that she wanted to present the revisions to the entire board. J. Haber created a chart that discusses the major changes/updates. J. Haber presents the changes/ major additions.

C. 2018 - 2019 Board Meeting Calendar

C. Russell. presents the new board of trustee meeting dates for 2018-2019.
J. Haber made a motion to approve the board of trustees meeting dates 2018-2019, with change of dates for November 19 to 29 and December 19 to 17.
J. Lee seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

VI. School Operations

A. Financial Report

M. Rousseau discusses the statement of activities- YTD for March 2018. M. Rousseau states there are no major changes to the budget. M. Rousseau discusses the statement of financial position for March 2018. M. Rousseau states that she forwarded an investment policy to the financial committee to review. M.Rousseau states that LHA is looking for a better financial banking company to place our funds to allow higher yielding rates M. Rousseau discuss the budgets for the 2018-2019 school year. M. Rousseau states the new budget for the 2018-2019 school year needs to be approve in June.
J. Haber made a motion to approve the March Financials.
A. Khatiwada seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. FY19 Budget

There were no updates from the financial committee about the 2018-2019 fiscal year budget.

C. Facilities

M.Mustafa discuss the facilities report. M. Mustafa discusses the rooftop gym construction. LHA is recommending the ES Builders due to the better economical choice.

M. Mustafar is looking for an approval from the board to begin the project and to use the recommended vendor. Construction of the roof will begin in July after school ends for the summer. M. Mustafa discuss the timeline.

M. Mustafa discusses the Turner capital negotiation. M. Mustafa states that this is still in negotiation. There should be an update by next week, and presented to the board next month.

M.Mustafa discuss the pillars in the MPR. M. Mustafa states the pillars are sound and the building in safe.

J. Haber made a motion to approve the hiring ES Builders to construct the roof at MetLCS.
J. Lee seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
J. Haber made a motion to hire SecureWatch24 for the new security systems at MetLCS.
A. Bothner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

VII. Education Committee

A. Update on Dashboard

The are no updates from the education committee.

B. 2018 - 2019 Principal Candidates

J. Haber made a motion to hire Tyra Williams for the principal of 9-12 and Kurt Davidson for the principal of the K-8.
A. Khatiwada seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

VIII. Board Candidate Interview

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A. Khatiwada introduces the new board candidate Mr. Reco Charity. Mr. Charity begins to discuss his professional and personal background. Mr. Charity states that he currently works with educational systems by creating software tech for schools such as games to promote engaging students in school. Mr. Charity found the opportunity to be a part of the board on Linkin. Mr. Charity states that his background in law/business will be a great addition to our currently board.

IX. 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 9:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Haber