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Next Generation Charter Schools

Minutes

MetLCS Board Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday January 24, 2019 at 6:30 PM

Location
180 W, 165th Street Bronx, NY 10452

Mission

We prepare our students for college through a rigorous arts-infused program.

Vision

All students will be taught by a highly effective teacher in a nurturing environment and will achieve at high levels. Each student will develop the knowledge, skills and values necessary for responsible citizenship and life-long learning. The impact of our collective efforts will fundamentally change public education.

Trustees Present
A. Bothner, A. Khatiwada, J. Haber, L. Williams, S. Nesterova, T. Bryan

Trustees Absent
A. Demir

Guests Present
C. Russell, K. Davidson, M. Alston, M. Rivera, M. Rousseau (remote), Ms. Fleischman, 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 Jan 24, 2019 at 6:31 PM.

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Review the Agenda

Ms. Haber went over the agenda for the meeting.

II. Staff Presentation

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Mr. Davidson introduced Ms. Fleischman - Special Education Coordinator / Teacher. Ms. Fleischman talked about her role. Ms. Fleischman is also working with an intern from the NYU. In addition, Ms. Fleischman talked about DOE recommendations regarding special education efforts of the school. The Board asked questions about the plan and next steps. Ms. Fleischman will be looking into the needs of the school and putting together a plan.
The Board recommended appointing someone who could be directly responsible for the progress on the expansion. Mr. Davidson and Ms. Williams agreed and suggested that Ms. Fleischman was already working in the role.

III. Principal's Report

A. K - 8 Update

Mr. Davidson went over the principal's report (Attachment: MetLCS PAL Board Report). Mr. Davidson talked about IA data in Section 3 of the report. Mr. Davidson highlighted a dramatic growth in scores in ELA. In addition, Mr. Davidson talked about mock tests that scholars will be talking leading up to the tests. The Board recommended engaging parents and self-help for scholars that could have a positive impact. The Board will be looking forward to future updates on the progress and improvements.

B. 9 - 10 Update

Ms. Williams went over the CPA report (Attachment: PAL Board Report). Ms. Williams mentioned data in the report. In addition, Ms. Williams talked about goals in a Strategic plan of the report. Ms. Williams mentioned a new program used by scholars, Reading Plus. Ms. Williams will follow up next months on other goals and test results.
The Board asked for updates during the next board meeting on the progress with exams and other goals Ms. Williams is working on.

IV. Executive Director Update

A. Lottery Update

Ms. Russell discussed lottery numbers and a call with the bondholders.

B. Monthly Update

Ms. Russell talked about the candidates for the ED role and their qualifications.

Teachers are currently going through the Mid-Year evaluations.

V. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

Ms. Haber led the public comments portion of the meeting. No comments were made.

VI. Board Governance

A. Approve Minutes from December 13, 2018 Meeting

T. Bryan made a motion to approve minutes from the MetLCS Board Meeting on 12-13-18 MetLCS Board Meeting on 12-13-18.
J. Haber seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VII. School Operations

A. Financial Report

Ms. Rousseau went over the financial report (Attachment: Financial Report for December 2019). The Board asked about the fluctuation in the surplus. Ms. Rousseau explained the fluctuation comes from the accrual of employee pay that will be paid at the end of the June.
J. Haber made a motion to approve financials.
A. Khatiwada seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Investment Policy Update

Ms. Rousseau will follow on the fees from the banks in a week.

C. Facilities

Ms. Russell went over the Facilities Report. Monica Rivera will be in charge of the facilities for the Met. The Board suggested that Monica follow up with Mansoor on the condition of the roof so that she can monitor it.

VIII. Education Committee

A. Education Committee Report

Mr. Khatiwada went over the updates, there were no comments from the Board.

IX. 180 W. 165th LLC Transfer Documents

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Counsel was present during the discussion.
The board discussed a number of resolutions related to the transfer of the sole membership interest in 180 W. 165th Street LLC to Metropolitan Support Corporation, attached as an addendum to these minutes.
Ms. Haber made a motion to approve the resolutions described and attached to these minutes in full.
J. Haber made a motion to approve the transfer.
A. Khatiwada seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

X. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

Ms. Haber motioned to move into Executive Session. Mr. Bothner seconded the motion. The executive session was conducted to discuss matters related to school safety.

XI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Ms. Haber motioned to exit from Executive Session. Mr. Bothner seconded the motion. 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,
S. Nesterova