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Next Generation Charter Schools

Minutes

MetLCS Board Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday February 28, 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, J. Haber, L. Williams, S. Nesterova

Trustees Absent
A. Demir, A. Khatiwada, T. Bryan

Guests Present
C. Russell, J. Livingston, K. Davidson, M. Rivera, M. Rousseau (remote), S. Gallagher, T. Williams

I. Staff Presentation

A. Staff Presentation

Kurt Davidson introduced Anastasia Walfisch and Lauren Thurmond who are reading teachers. They have talked about their program and teaching strategies.

II. LHA Updates

A.

Monthly Update

Sarah Gallagher gave updates regarding Executive Director recruitment. Ms. Gallagher expects to have some candidates for discussion in March.

B. Lottery Update

Ms. Russell gave the lottery updates. She referred to the attachment in the meeting packet.

C. Charter Renewal Process Update

Ms. Russell provided an update to the current status of the renewal process.
Ms. Russell provided a draft for performance goals for the school.

III. Opening Items

A. Review the Agenda

Mr. Bothner went over the agenda for the meeting.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

C. Call the Meeting to Order

A. Bothner called a meeting of the board of trustees of Next Generation Charter Schools to order on Thursday Feb 28, 2019 at 7:05 PM.

IV. School Operations

A. Financial Report

Ms. Rousseau went over the financial report (Attachment: Financial Report for January 2019).
A. Bothner made a motion to approve the financials for January 2019.
S. Nesterova seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Investment Policy Update

Ms. Rousseau talked about investment institutions and discussed a thought process behind choosing the bank.

C. Facilities

Ms. Rivera went over the facilities report (Attachment: Monthly Facilities Report, February 2019). Ms. Rivera mentioned the rooftop project and strategy around expanding the space. Ms. Williams talked about the options for accommodating for the issues with space. The facilities committee will discuss in-depth plans for the school expansion.

V. Board Governance

A. Approve Minutes from January 24, 2019 Meeting

A. Bothner made a motion to approve minutes from the MetLCS Board Meeting on 01-24-19 MetLCS Board Meeting on 01-24-19.
S. Nesterova seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Principal's Report

A. K - 8 Update

Mr. Davidson shared pictures from the school events and engagements.
Mr. Davidson talked about District Charter Collaborative and great feedback from the visit.
Mr. Davidson went over the principal's report (Attachment: MetLCS PAL Board Report).
Mr. Davidson discussed academic data in the meeting packet. In addition, Mr. Davidson mentioned ELA Mock State Test in March which will help thoroughly to prepare for the State Test.

B. 9 - 10 Update

Ms. Williams went over a CPA report (Attachment: PAL Board Report). Ms. Williams talked about IA data (attached in the meeting packet). In addition, Ms. Williams walked through the Regents Pass Rate.

VII. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

Mr. Bothner led the public comments portion of the meeting. No comments were made.

VIII. Education Committee

A. Education Committee Report

Mr. Williams went over the updates. Mr. Williams talked about 3 DECA students that may qualify for International DECA Conference in Orlando, Florida, which will be happening in April. Leadership is evaluating the costs and logistics of attending and will report to the Finance and Education Committee.

IX. Executive Session

A. Executive Session

In the executive session, the Board spoke with leadership and LHA. In addition, the Board discussed matters regarding administration of examinations.

X. 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 10:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
S. Nesterova