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Next Generation Charter Schools

Minutes

Metropolitan Lighthouse Charter School Board Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday August 22, 2019 at 6:30 PM

Location
180 W, 165th Street Bronx, NY 10452 Call In # 813-967-8308 Passcode # 74216

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, E. Chen, J. Haber, S. Nesterova, T. Bryan

Trustees Absent
A. Khatiwada

Guests Present
Adonai Shiman, Annika Brown, C. Russell, Courtney Russell, Jessica Boulet, Joi Culler, K. Davidson, K. McGuire, Liz Hillin, M. Alston, M. Rousseau (remote), Shanta Pressely, T. Williams

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

S. Nesterova called a meeting of the board of trustees of Next Generation Charter Schools to order on Thursday Aug 22, 2019 at 6:41 PM.

C.

Review the Agenda

Mr. Bothner went over the agenda for the meeting.

II. Staff Presentation

A. Introduction to the 2019 - 2020 MetLCS and MetCPA Leadership Team

Kurt Davidson introduced MetCPA's leadership team:

- Elizabeth Hillin - Director of School Culture
- Adonai John-Shiman - Assistant Principal LCS
- Anthony Brown - Assistant Principal STEM CPA
- Annika Brown - Director of Teacher Leadership STEM LCS
- Joi Culler - Director of Teacher Leadership Humanities LCS

The team talked about their roles and outlined goals for the year.

III. Principal's Report

A. K - 8 Update

Mr. Davidson presented and talked about the School Design (the Board received a presentation).
Mr. Davidson discussed updates regarding recruitment and new hires.
The Board suggested formulating and revisiting the Mission and the Vision statement of the school.

B. Approve new hires for K-8

J. Haber made a motion to approve the hires for K-8.
A. Bothner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. 9 - 10 Update

Ms. Williams discussed Summer Work Plan and provided updates. Ms. Williams will provide and discuss goals and updates with the Board throughout the year.
In addition, Ms. Williams gave updates regarding recruiting and new hires.

D. Approve the hires for K-8

J. Haber made a motion to approve the hires for K-8.
A. Bothner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. 2019-2020 Instructional Goals Met CPA

Ms. Williams presented Instructional Goals. She indicated that the goals are in line with charter renewal goals with some modifications. The Board asked about the goal of reaching 75% on Regents and strategy year by year.

F. 2019-2020 Instructional Goals Met K-8

Mr. Davidson discussed instructional Goals. They are in line with charter renewal goals with modifications.
The Board asked about ways of setting goals and thinking ahead in order to set scholars for successful years in high school.

IV. School Operations

A. Financial Report

Ms. Rousseau mentioned that there were technical difficulties with the new reporting system. She will have reports by the next week.

B. Investment Policy Update

Ms. Rousseau will be providing the quarterly report.

C. Facilities

Ms. Russell gave an update about the progress of the construction and estimates for completing the construction. In addition, Ms. Russell mentioned renewing the insurance for construction and the cost.

D. Lottery Preferences

Ms. Russell provided a non-material charter renewal update to for the Board to review.
J. Haber made a motion to approve the update to the lottery policy.
T. Bryan seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Facilities Appeal

Ms. Russell shared the success of getting rental assistance for the school.

V. LHA Updates

A. Enrollment Update

Melissa Alston gave updates about the enrolment.

B. Principal Evaluations

Ms. Russell provided updates regarding evaluations.

VI. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

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

VII. Board Governance

A. Approve Minutes from June 2019 Meetings

J. Haber made a motion to approve minutes from the MetLCS Board Meeting on 06-10-19 MetLCS Board Meeting on 06-10-19.
A. Bothner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. Approve Minutes from July 2019 Meetings

J. Haber made a motion to approve minutes from the Metropolitan Lighthouse Charter School Board Meetings on 07-25-19 and 06-10-2019 Metropolitan Lighthouse Charter School Board Meeting on 07-25-19.
A. Bothner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. LHA Service Agreement

Ms. Haber provided updates regarding the service agreement. The agreement is very close to the completion.

D. LHA Board Retreat

E. School Visit Sign Up

VIII. Education Committee

A. Education Committee Report

The updates will be provided during the next board meeting.

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,
S. Nesterova