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Next Generation Charter Schools

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday March 24, 2022 at 6:30 PM

Location
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Mission

At Nuasin Next Generation, we believe in the unlimited talent and intellectual potential of our scholars and our community. We cultivate this talent and intellectual potential through a progressive education that focuses on deep exploration, thoughtful questioning, relentless curiosity and critical thinking. Nuasin Next Generation Charter School implements a progressive K-12 educational program and an unyielding commitment to cultivating our scholars' innate intellectual talents to empower our graduates to achieve excellence in their postsecondary paths and make positive impacts on the broader community. Every single one of our scholars have the potential to be great and change the world, at Nuasin Next Generation we prepare our scholars for that opportunity.

3 Pillars

The Mission of Nuasin Next Generation stands firmly on the foundation of our three pillars: Rigor, Self-Advocacy, and Community. These three pillars are the guiding principles for our school and culture. Please find a deeper explanation of our pillars below.

Rigor:

We use the word “rigor” not in the stringent or inflexible sense, but in the sense of an unyielding need to challenge and push our scholars because we understand and believe in the potential, talent, and ability of our scholars and community. We challenge our scholars to build their confidence and help them realize what they can achieve.

Self-Advocacy:
Our scholars are empowered to advocate for themselves, their families, and their communities. As our scholars come to understand that their voices are valued and needed, they learn to advocate for themselves. Our scholars are seen and valued; they understand that not only do they have the right to express their opinions, views, and perspectives, but it is their obligation to do so.

Community:
Our scholars will embrace community and understand that as a member of a community you have certain
inalienable rights, the right to be seen, the right to be heard, the right to be protected and the right to be loved and
cherished. Our scholars will also learn of their obligations. As a member of a community you have the obligation to
respect, listen, support and only want and assume the best in all others. Every member of our community must understand that they are active participants in the Nuasin community and the community goes as we go.

Trustees Present
A. Bothner (remote), A. Khanyile (remote), A. Khatiwada (remote), C. Barnes-Watson, E. Chen (remote), J. Boulet (remote), K. Brisseau (remote), K. Shabazz (remote), S. Huda (remote), S. Pressley (remote)

Trustees Absent
M. Dorrie, T. Bryan

Trustees who arrived after the meeting opened
C. Barnes-Watson, K. Brisseau, S. Huda

Ex Officio Members Present
M. Russell (remote)

Guests Present
Anthony Brown (remote), Dan Pasek (remote), E. Mew (remote), K. Davidson (remote), K. Perez (remote), M. Alston (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

A. Bothner called a meeting of the board of trustees of Next Generation Charter Schools to order on Thursday Mar 24, 2022 at 6:41 PM.

C. Review the Agenda

A. Bothner would like to highlight some of the items in the agenda:

- Digesting any key updates from the School leadership
- Finance: approve staff salaries so offer letters can go out to the staff
- Committee updates: key points to be shared only

D. Nuasin Mission/3 Pillar Reflection

M. Russell shared a quote from Alice Walker, Living by the Word.

II. School Update

A. Executive Director Update

- Attendance: K-8 scholars are at 91% vs 95% goal. 9-12 attendance for the month is at 90% vs. 95%. Staff is at 94% vs 95% goal.
- College Readiness Update: 100% of our scholars have applied to at least 6 colleges. 36% of scholars have been accepted into at least one or two schools. Scholarships have been offered to scholars over $3.1 million in merit-based aid. 100% of our seniors are on the track to graduating on time.
- College Trips/ SATS for the 10th and 11th graders have been planned. Scholars are visiting SUNYs and schools in NJ.
- Important Dates: ELA State Exam and SAT Exam. College trips and graduation.

B. K-8 Principal Update

K. Davidson shared the school goal for all content areas should be greater than 80%.

- IA Data: School leadership has taken a deeper dive into the IA data and what went wrong in this exam. He presented what a 4th grade IA looked like with a scholar's work and it seems that the reading is very rigorous and scholars are not understanding the main idea.
- The 3rd, 5th, and 8th grades have grown in data.
- What are we doing now? Elevating the comprehensive plan.- increasing in the number of passages with intentional purpose on main idea and transferable skills.

Sharing data for the day and celebrating the grows and glows. This improves preparedness for the next day for the scholars and teachers.

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K. Brisseau arrived at 7:16 PM.
C. Barnes-Watson arrived at 7:40 PM.

C. 9-12 Interim Principal Update

A. Brown shared what the High School has been doing for the month. The third IA was given on March 16 and March 17. The data will be presented at the next board meeting.

Regents mastery will begin this week on a rigorous schedule. All data that is collected is debriefed with the teachers. This prepares them for the next day of teaching.

D. Operations Update

K. Perez shared her enrollment and lottery updates for the month.

- There was an error in our

III. Finance Committee Updates

A. General Updates

B. February Financials

C. Budget Approval

S. Pressley made a motion to accept the budget that has been presented.
E. Chen seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

M. Dorrie	Absent
K. Shabazz	Aye
E. Chen	Aye
K. Brisseau	Aye
S. Huda	Absent
T. Bryan	Absent
C. Barnes-Watson	Aye
A. Khanyile	Aye
S. Pressley	Aye
A. Bothner	Aye
A. Khatiwada	Aye
J. Boulet	Aye

D.

Budget '23 Timeline Reminder

M. Alston shared that now that the org chart and salaries have been approved, school leaders will continue to reassess and hand out offer letters to the staff by May.

E. Quarterly Strategic Update

S. Pressley shared the financial committee's strategic goals for the school.

IV. Education Committee Updates

A. Education Committee Report

E. Chen shared that School leaders shared all the updates for the month.

B. Quarterly Strategic Update

E. Chen shared the ed committee's strategic goal for the month.

V. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

No public comments.

VI. Board Governance

A. Approve February 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

J. Boulet made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 02-17-22.
E. Chen seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

E. Chen	Aye
C. Barnes-Watson	Aye
A. Bothner	Aye
S. Pressley	Aye
A. Khatiwada	Aye
S. Huda	Absent
M. Dorrie	Absent
K. Shabazz	Aye
K. Brisseau	Aye
T. Bryan	Absent
A. Khanyile	Abstain
J. Boulet	Aye

B. Monthly Trustee Individual Goal Setting Review

S. Huda arrived at 9:25 PM.

C. Board Flywheel

D. Quarterly Strategic Update

VII. 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 11:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Bothner