

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
for the
BEDFORD-STUYVESANT NEW BEGINNINGS
CHARTER SCHOOL**

Meeting of June 18, 2010

Members Present: Joseph Sciame; Patricia Bramwell; Victor Rivera Jr.; Angel Charriez; Thomas Alwood; Kevin Nesbitt; Leticia Theodore.

Members Absent: C. Russo; M. Nieves; L. Theodore.

Also Present: Karen Jones (Academic Leader); Joshua Morales (Consultant), by phone.

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A quorum being present, the Meeting commenced at 5:10 pm.

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Bramwell and seconded by Mr. Alwood, the minutes of the June 1 meeting was adopted with all necessary corrections by a vote of 5 - 0.

Mr. Sciame advised the Board that Civic Builders had commented on the proposed Lease Term Sheet provided by the Diocese and that the primary concern was that the rent was too high. Mr. Sciame stated that he had advised the Diocese's Real Estate negotiator, Colleen Cerriela, that the Board was still interested in the facility but that the terms still needed to be negotiated. Ms. Bramwell advised that she also had a problem with the exclusive use provision of the Term Sheet.

Mr. Charriez arrived.

The Board then engaged in a general discussion of the physical conditions of the building as observed by Ms. Jones and the repairs that needed to be made. Mr. Rivera notes that the Dioces should still have room to negotiate the figures because the phase-in of the amounts to be paid in rent was based on an increasing enrollment and did not have anything to do with rent credits to be provided for work to be done on the building.



Mr. Sciame then advised the Board that Joshua Morales had noted that the Board needed to hire an auditor immediately. Mr. Sciame indicated that he had been approached by two other entities that wished to bid on the auditing packet for the school. Mr. Sciame indicated that he thought that bidding should be held open for an additional week to allow other now-interest applicants to submit proposals. Mr. Morales then joined the meeting by phone and a discussion of Charter School Management's existing proposal commenced. Mr. Morales reminded the Board that CSM's bid was a specifically requested "high end" bid, but that all bids would come in at about \$20 - \$25,000, depending on the state of the school's books. Mr. Morales indicated that the Board needed to move on the auditor by June 23.

Mr. Morales then guided the Board through a discussion of the proposed benefit packages for employees and asked the Board to review the different options.

Ms. Jones then noted that the first round of demonstration lessons had been conducted and that a SPED teacher and 3 general curriculum teachers had been given offers as a result.

Ms. Jones also noted that she and Sonia Park had met with Core Knowledge and Scot Foresman personnel and that the interns had been working exceptionally hard lately. The Board generally agreed that the interns should be rewarded for their efforts in some manner.

Ms. Jones stated that, in conjunction with professional development for incoming teachers, a visit to the Building would take place on August 27.

The Board then discussed the proposed logo for the school and noted that green would be the school's official color.

Mr. Nesbitt then reported that the Outreach and Engagement Committee ("EnCom") had met on April 23. Mr. Nesbitt advised the Board that members of EnCom had gone to a meeting at Boys & Girls High School and interacted with a number of politicians and circulated applications for the school, Ms. Bramwell again noted the job that the interns had done helping with this matter. It was noted that the YMCA was sharing services with other schools and Ms. Jones advise taht the interns were already reaching out to the YMCA about that.

Mr. Nesbitt noted that EnCom had looked at August 17 as a possible date for parent orientation, but Ms. Jones indicated that such meetings usually were held two weeks into the academic year. Ms. Jones then suggested September 10 as a good date for the parent orientation. t

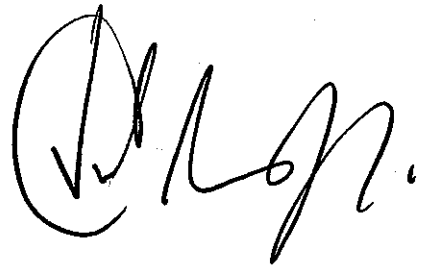
Mr. Alwood requested an update on registration status and was advised by Mr. Morales that 70% of our student population had registered for the forthcoming school year.

A general discussion ensued about the relationship between development and engagement in terms of possible overlapping fundraising efforts. It was clarified by the board that EnCom would be responsible for "inward" fundraising, such as bake sales, candy drives, parent contributions, etc., while the Development Committee would be responsible for "outward" fundraising, such as securing grants and donations from third-parties.

Ms. Jones note to the Board that Ms. Park was nearing the end of her commitment to the School.

The Board agreed to next meet on July 16.

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Rivera and seconded by Mr. Alwood, the Board voted unanimously (6-0) to adjourn at 6:42 pm until the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized initial 'D' followed by a series of connected, cursive letters that appear to be 'R. Alwood'.