

THE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL FOR LAW AND SOCIAL JUSTICE



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Minutes–Board of Trustees Meeting, July 17, 2023

By Zoom Conferencing: Christian Bannerman, Socrates Solano, Rick Marsico, Amy Fuller, Janine Azriliant, Sarah Fuentes, Denis O'Rourke, Linette Tse, Rina Beder,
In-person: John Callahan, Chairperson, Jumaane Sanders, Executive Director Richard Burke,

Absent: Charmon Adams,

Welcome, and Call to Order - Mr. John Callahan welcomed and called the Meeting to Order at 6:05 p.m. He thanked everyone for coming via Zoom and in person. Mr. Callahan stated that this is their Annual Meeting and an Executive Session would be at the end.

Mr. Callahan asked if anyone had questions about items on the Consent Agenda, which was accepting the minutes. The consent agenda had no comments, and it was accepted.

Mr. Callahan asked Mr. Burke to review the Financials-.

Mr. Burke began reviewing the May financials. Mr. Burke said our finances showed we had 100—days of cash (\$2,842,765.00). Mr. Burke stated that this was the 12th month of the year. We will end up with a \$100,361.00 surplus compared to last month, that projected costs were turned into actual, and we had more savings in addition to the ESSER grant that was applied.

Executive Director Report –

Mr. Burke spoke about the Summer Bridge program for incoming 9th graders in the School. He talked about the planning for Regents Prep and teachers' planning for the new year. Mr. Burke reported that we are actively hiring to fill positions and that the Union negotiations are still proceeding. The UFT has settled with the City so that the DOE teachers would see a 9% increase and a \$3,000 signing bonus. Mr. Burke went into some of the negotiation points.

Chairman Report - Mr. Callahan spoke and then updated us on the building options we still will have for the Middle School and how we would discuss with Barone and the Archdiocese what is possible. He mentioned he had visited St. Margaret Mary School.

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building, about a 6-minute drive away. Mr. Callahan described the School as in good condition and available with a huge parking lot.

Finance - Mr. Callahan mentioned that the Finance Committee had met and reviewed the May Financials; Mr. Burke had spoken to the financials earlier.

Academic Committee - Ms. Fuentes said they had expected to get data from the Regents and discuss it in the August meeting. Ms. Fuentes asked Mr. Burke to share the data, walkthrough, and regents results with the Board. There was a discussion on the "Regents Waiver" with 50-64 passes and how that is only considered in 12th grade if they have not completed all their regents.

Governance - Mr. Callahan said the Governance Committee would meet to review the by-laws next month, and he said he was asking for input on a Board Retreat and whether we could develop a plan for the Board Retreat in October. There was a discussion of what a retreat would look like and ideas to get the Board more informed.

Fundraising Committee - Mr. Callahan said nothing was happening in fundraising, but he will invite several Friends of Board members to join that committee.

New Business- Mr. Callahan read the motions in Agenda, starting with

Election of Officers of the Board of Trustees

Mr. Sanders moved, and Ms. Tse seconded

And all members voted yes.

1. It is hereby RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of The Charter High School for Law and Social Justice that the following individuals are elected as officers of the Board of Trustees of The Charter High School for Law and Social Justice for a term of one year from July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024, except as otherwise noted:

John Callahan Chairperson

Jumaane Saunders Vice-Chairperson

Janine Azriliant Secretary

Linnet Tse Treasurer

2. Appointment of Committee Members, Ms. Sanders moved to approve the Committee assignments, and Ms. Tse seconded. All present members voted to approve.



It is hereby RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of The Charter High School for Law and Social Justice that the following individuals are appointed as members of committees of the Board of Trustees as follows for a term of one year, from July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024.

Audit Committee

Educational Accountability Committee

Executive Committee (the Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary serve on the Executive Committee pursuant to the School's by-laws)

Finance Committee

Fundraising Committee

3. Approval of Board Calendar (Attached) Ms. Sanders moved to approve the Board Calendar assignments, and Ms. Tse seconded. All present members voted to approve.

Ms. Tse moved into Executive Session, which was seconded by Ms. Fuentes and approved by all present.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 7:40 p.m.

Mr. O'Rourke moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Beder, and approved at 7:45 p.m.

Next Meeting: September 21, 2023, 6:00 p.m.



John Callahan

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