

THE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL FOR LAW AND SOCIAL JUSTICE



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Minutes–Board of Trustees Meeting, March 16, 2023

By Zoom Conferencing: Linnet Tse, Sarah Fuentes, and., Denis O'Rourke, Socrates Solano, and Janine Azriliant.

In-person: John Callahan, Chairperson, Executive Director Richard Burke, and Robin Sharpe (Dir. SPED).

Absent: Rick Marsico, Jumaane Saunders, Christian Bannerman, and Charmone Adams.

Guest: Rina Beder and Amy Fuller

Welcome, and Call to Order - Mr. John Callahan welcomed and called the Meeting to Order at 6:05 PM.

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 and stated that Mr. Digant Bahl would join to discuss another item on Finances later.

Financials -

Mr. Burke began reviewing the February financials. Mr. Burke said our finances showed we had 144.7 days of cash (\$4,858,629). Mr. Burke stated that this was the 8th month of the year. He corrected last month's statement about our ESSER grants. The Title grants were accepted, so the deficit remains as before. Still, we expect the ESSER grants re-arrangement to be taken, and then the debt would be reduced. We are in good shape, and no issues stand out. Mr. Burke asked if there were any questions about the Financials, and mentioned that the paperwork for moving money into an interest-bearing account was moving forward.

Executive Director Report - Mr. Burke talked about the renewal and the status of the renewal.

Mr. Burke mentioned that the SED had said it would be submitted in April, but he said he would email SED for an update on the timing tomorrow. Mr. Burke said he had emailed the head of RE for Archdiocese about our desire to rent St. Marget Mary.



Mr. Burke discussed the lottery and our public relations to get more applicants. He talked about TFA and another high and middle school hiring next year. Mr. Burke spoke about what happened in the school during February, including testing, Honor Roll, trips, and activities.

Chairman Report - Mr. Callahan spoke and then updated us on the building options for the Middle School and the status of the temporary space until the building is finished. He talked about the Tremont building and our visit to the temporary location.

Mr. Callahan called for Committee Reports.

Finance - Mr. Callahan mentioned that the Finance Committee had met and reviewed the December Financials, Mr. Burke had spoken to the financials earlier, and Mr. Bahl will join the meeting in 10 minutes

Academic Committee - Ms. Fuentes said that the last meeting had a lot of data, and Mr. Burke mentioned that SAT is next week and this week is Mock Regents, so that we will have a good amount of data next month.

Governance - Mr. Callahan said the Governance Committee would meet to review the by-laws next month.

Fundraising Committee - Mr. Callahan said a report on contributions was included in the Board materials.

Mr. Callahan said the new business is voting on the two new members of the Board. He called for the motion: **Ms. Tse moved, Mr. O'Rourke second** on the

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to select Rina Beder as a member to its Board of Trustees, with a term expiring on June 30, 2024 pending approval by NYSED. The resolution approving Rina Beder is adopted upon NYSED's approval.

The resolution was approved with no dissent:

Ms. Tse moved, and Ms. Fuentes second



- Introduction of Amy Fuller as a new Board member. Motion to approve Amy Fuller as a BOT member.

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The resolution was approved with no dissent.

Mr. Solano moved to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Tse, and approved at 7:15 PM.

Next Meeting: April 20, 2023, 6:00 PM.



John Callahan

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