

# THE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL FOI AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

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## Minutes–Board of Trustees Meeting

May 20, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

All by Zoom Conferencing: John Callahan, Rick Marsico, Janine Azriliant, Denis ORourke, Linnet Tse, , Sarah Fuentes, Dan Sang, Christian Bannerman, Jumaane Saunders

Absent: No absent

Executive Director Richard Burke,

Guest: Robin Sharpe, Izzy Galante, Nicole Galante,  
Leslie Lopez, Floriande Buckman

Welcome, and Call to Order- Mr. John Callahan welcomed and called the meeting to Order at 6:10 PM and thanked everyone for attending via Zoom

Mr. Callahan asked if anyone had any questions on Consent Agenda, and no one did, so it was accepted.

Mr. Callahan suggested we move the Shared Space presentation up to permit them to leave if they wished, and everyone agreed. Mr. Callahan introduced Izzy Galante and Nicole Galante from Shared Space, who started introducing themselves, their work, and their relationship with Mr. Burke at his past schools. They then proceeded with their Mid-year visit report and talked about the next steps after answering the Board's questions.

### Financials-

Mr. Burke began reviewing the financials and shared his screen. Mr. Burke said that our finances are in good shape. Mr. Burke mentioned that there had been a Finance Committee phone call earlier in the week that went into great detail on the financials. He reviewed the main points of the Financials, and there were no questions. Mr. Burke pulled up the draft budget for the 21-22 school year and went into the main details. He stated the Finance Committee had gone over the budget in great detail. He asked if anyone wanted to discuss this further he was available. It will be voted on at the June meeting.

### Executive Director Report:

Mr. Burke then reviewed the Dashboard. Mr. Burke talked about Graduation, which will be held on June 17 at the College of Mt. St. Vincent. Mr. Burke spoke about how great it was seeing the Seniors at the BBQ.



## Chairman Report –

Mr. Callahan then went into details about the situation at the Parish with the Pastor being on leave and how that we hoped it would not slow our construction approvals, but he hoped it would move forward as planned.

Mr. Callahan then called for Committee Reports-Mr. Callahan reported that we had discussed the Finance Committee earlier, and there was a meeting this past Tuesday.

Mr. Callahan spoke about the Governance Committee meeting held on Tuesday night and that it was looking into a Board Retreat and looking for new members.

Academic Committee-Mr. Callahan asked Ms. Fuentes if she would be Co-chair with Mr. Saunders which she agreed. Mr. Saunders mentioned that the Committee would meet next month.

Fundraising Committee-No meeting, and Mr. Callahan said once we are back in person There would be more planning.

Mr. Callahan then said they would move on to new Business.

He asked if everyone had reviewed all Mr. Adams's documents and were there any questions or comments. No comments were made. Mr. Callahan mentioned that Charmone Adams had attended the April and May Board meeting, introduced himself and spoke of his background.

Mr. Callahan asked if everyone had read the resolution, which was confirmed, and he asked for a motion. Mr. Marsico moved, and Ms. Tse seconded. The Board approved the resolution:

### **RESOLUTIONS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF**

#### **THE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL FOR LAW AND SOCIAL JUSTICE**

The Charter High School for Law and Social Justice Board of Trustees, having conducted a thorough background check visa a fingerprint scan as required and having discovered no State or Federal criminal history, or have provided such history to SED if found, has voted to elect Charmone Adams, as final candidates to its Board of Trustees, with a term expiring on June 30, 2022, pending approval by SED.



Mr. Callahan then said he would move to the 2<sup>nd</sup> resolution. He talked about the work to be done this summer and reminded everyone of past meetings where he discussed the details. He asked for a motion approving the work Friends of CHSLSJ planned on doing.

Mr. Saunders moved, seconded by Mr. Bannerman, and approved by the Board.

**a. RESOLUTIONS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
THE CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL FOR LAW AND SOCIAL JUSTICE**

Whereas The Charter High School for Law and Social Justice (the school) desires to renovate the existing schoolyard and the existing façade and entryway during the summer of 2021;

Whereas funding for the proposed work has been and/or will be obtained by the Friends of The Charter High School for Law and Social Justice (FO) as NYC school facility support funding that is incorporated into the lease agreement between FO and the school;

Whereas plans and elevations for the proposed work have been produced by a registered architect and reviewed by the School Board, and have been further prepared for submittal to the NYC Department of Buildings for approval and permit;

Whereas bids from appropriate licensed and insured contractors have been assembled by the FO board; Therefore, it is resolved that the School Board approves of this project and authorizes the FO Board and school leadership to proceed.

Mr. Callahan then said there were no public members to make a statement, so he mentioned they did not need an Executive Session.

Mr. Marsico moved to adjourn, seconded by Dr. Bannerman, and approved at 7:40 PM.

Next Meeting: June 17. 2021, 6:00 PM

John Callahan