



Board of Trustees July 2013 Meeting July 16, 2013

Dr. Lillian Hamer, REACS Chairperson called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the July Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees Meeting at 6:30 PM on July 16, 2013.

Chairperson Hamer requested verification from the members present of "The Notice of Meeting" sent to each of the members of the board via email. Each member noted the proper notification was received.

Pursuant to the NY State Public Meetings Law the public notice of meeting was provided in the following manner thus meeting the law's requirement of media and public notice:

- Public Posting at REACS Office
- REACS Website
- Newspaper Notice

Chairperson Hamer called upon Sylvia Fairclough-Leslie, Secretary of the Board of Trustees to call the roll of the board.

Members present: Dr. Calvin Rice [Ex-officio], Marcia Anglin, Dr. Lillian Hamer, Chene Williams, and Sylvia Fairclough-Leslie

Member absent: Ojeda Hall Phillips and Alicia Doctor [Parent Trustee]

Also present were: Dr. Lena Richardson, Principal and Tawana Muniz, Business and Operations Manager. They were given the rights of the floor to speak during the meeting by common consent.

1. Chairperson Hamer offered opportunity for any questions from the public. There were not any questions or comments raised.

2. Chairperson Hamer called for the approval of the agenda for the meeting. The agenda was accepted by common consent.



3. Chairperson Hamer called on Dr. Calvin Rice, CEO to present his report. Dr. Rice expressed appreciation to the Board for the opportunity to serve the school as CEO. He indicated he began his duties officially on July 1, 2013. Much of the beginning days have focused on finalizing the operational budget for the new school year, overseeing the remodeling of the facility to accommodate the additional classrooms for 4th grade and continuing the effort to arrange long term for proper facilities for the school.

A. Dr. Rice called on Tawanna Muniz to present the Business and Operations Manager report.

1. Ms. Muniz presented the July 2013 Summary Financial Overview [See Attachment #1] - following discussion the report was received by common consent.
2. Ms. Muniz update the Board on the interviews with potential bidders for new health and employee retirement benefits.
3. The draft of the 2013-14 Operational Budget was reviewed. Following discussion the budget was referred to the Finance Committee for further fine tuning. It was noted that a "Special Called Meeting" of the Board would be called to approve a final 2013-14 Operational Budget before August 1, 2013.
4. The report was received with appreciation.

B. Dr. Rice called on Dr. Lena Richardson, Principal for her report.

1. Dr. Richardson focused the majority of her report on the 2011-12 NYS Report Card for the school.
2. Dr. Richardson shared information on the early results of the 3rd Grade Tests.
3. Dr. Richardson gave an overview of the plans for the 2013-14 school year.
4. The principal's report was received with appreciation.

C. Dr. Rice gave an update on the progress related to the new facility and the timeline for a decision.



D. The 2013-14 Board Meeting Calendar was distributed [See Attachment #2]

4. The meeting adjourned by common consent at 8:20 PM.
5. Executive Session followed with a focus on personnel for the new school year.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sylvia Fairclough-Leslie - Secretary