



Board of Trustees
October Minutes
October 21, 2013

Dr. Lillian Hamer, REACS Chairperson called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Board of Trustees at 6:30 PM on October 21, 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

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

Members present: Dr. Lillian Hamer, Chene Williams, Marcia Anglin, Sylvia Fairclough-Leslie, Alicia Doctor, Dr. Calvin Rice [Ex-officio], Lorraine Stephens, Damian Benons, Ron Wilson

Also present were: Dr. Lena Richardson, Principal, Tawana Muniz, Business and Operations Manager, Mike Estep, Consultant. 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. The Chairperson, Dr. Rice and Principal Richardson responded to several questions and comments.

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

3. Chairperson Hamer called on Dr. Calvin Rice, CEO to present his report. Dr. Rice updated the Board on several items including the every Monday management meeting and progress on the next steps for the facility development and expansion of the school including plans to expand upon approval to a K-8 charter school.

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



1. Ms. Muniz presented the July – October 18, 2013 Summary Financial Report – Attachment #1
2. Ms. Muniz gave a report on the 2012-13 Audit. The Board authorized the Executive Committee to review the final results for reporting to the NYCDOE/NYSED on November 1, 2013. The Board will receive via email a copy of the Audit. Any questions will be answered in the November 2013 regular meeting of the Board.
3. The report was received with appreciation.

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

1. Dr. Richardson gave the Board an update on the Parents conferences, Common Core, Teachers Professional Goals/Growth Plans and the potential for an extended day for tutoring and enrichment purposes. Dr. Rice commented on the plans to apply for After School funding from the NYC DYCD.
2. The report was received with appreciation.

C. Dr. Rice called on Ms. Alicia Doctor, Parent Association President to present her report.

1. Ms. Doctor shared an update on the PTO activities and the planned fundraising efforts.
2. The report was received with appreciation.

D. Dr. Rice gave an update on the facility development and the initial plans for funding the facility including its contents.

1. The report was received with appreciation.

4. Chairperson Hamer shared information about the Standing Committees and a schedule for each committee meeting. Attachment #2

The meeting adjourned by common consent at 7:35 PM.

Executive Session followed with a focus REACS Board Development with a focus on the Common Mistakes Charter School Boards Make.

Respectfully submitted:

Sylvia Fairclough-Leslie – Secretary