



Board of Trustees
September Minutes
September 16, 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 September 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

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.

The August 19, 2013 Board Minutes were reviewed and approved as presented by common consent. – Attachment #1.

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 key issues relating to the start of the school year and his role as CEO.

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



1. Ms. Muniz presented the September 16, 2013 Financial Report – Attachment #2
2. Ms. Muniz gave an update on the 2012-13 Audit
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 Grade 3 Performance Letters sent to Parents, Terra Nova test dates, the planned Curriculum Evening scheduled for September 24 and the dates for the Picture Days in October.
2. Dr. Richardson gave an extended report on the NYC DOE School Survey for 2012-13. – Attachment #3
3. 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 plans for events during the 2013-14 school year.
2. The report was received with appreciation.

D. Dr. Rice gave an update on the facility development [approval has been voted by the church] and also a report on the planned fundraising Gala. After discussion the Board suggested that the date for the Gala be scheduled for March 2014. Exact date to be determined.

1. The report was received with appreciation.

4. Chairperson Hamer called on the Personnel Committee to present their report.

1. Ms. Anglin made a motion to approve the Personnel Committee's Staff Contracts Recommendations for the final employees to be hired for the 2013-14 School year – Attachment #4. Ms. Fairclough-Leslie seconded. All were in favor.

Ms. Anglin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Fairclough-Leslie seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Executive Session followed with a focus REACS Roles and Responsibilities of a Charter School Board.

Respectfully submitted:

Sylvia Fairclough-Leslie – Secretary