

April 30th, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Attendees: R. Wilson, L. Hamer, C. Williams, C. Rice, M. Anglin, A. Knight, C. Moore, T. Muniz, K. Sandiford, D.A. Seabourne

After a short welcome from L. Hamer, the meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m.

The attendance sheet was signed and submitted to Ms. Muniz.

The minutes from 3/25/19 were reviewed. R. Wilson motioned that the agenda be accepted with a modification for the school consultants to make a presentation. C. Williams seconded; agenda was approved.

M. Anglin made a motion to accept the minutes with any necessary corrections. K. Sandiford seconded; meeting minutes were approved.

Dr. Melba Butler and Mr. Darwin David were presented in the meeting and explained their purpose as consultants to REACS.

Business Operations Report – Ms. Muniz

357 students in total; 282 K-5 students, 35 UPK students, 40 SPED students. 2019-2020 enrollment applications have been received; 702 total applications – Pre-K 134, K 209, 1 st Grade 93, 2nd Grade 75, 3 rd Grade 72, 4th Grade 63, 5th Grade 56. Financial Summary and Cash disbursement reports were submitted to the board. Fundraising Campaign for the school improvements and additions were also submitted to the board. May 1st the 1st and 3rd qtr financial report due to the NYCDOE; Computer lab ribbon cutting ceremony to be held 5/2/19 at 5:00 pm.

CEO Report – Dr. Rice

Second phase of the Montessori renovation is under way: New HVAC installed, electric work, wiring, internet, video and phone are 85% complete. Sheetrock installation 20% complete. A meeting is scheduled for 5/1/19 to go over plans for the new building in preparation to make initial presentation to DOB examination (in expectation of redactions over the next 60 days). After initial submission approval is expected by June. In the process of completing a C of O on existing building in order to close the loan. SNAP Sports has contacted the school who has offered a better school floor \$10K-\$20K cheaper than the lowest quote currently. A scholarship has been given to attend the Leaders of Color collaborative conference in Oakland, CA May 8-11. Work has begun to apply for a Capital RESO grant for the next fiscal year. Ray Delmonico an education advocate writes op ed's for various newspapers regarding REACS and charter schools in general; his piece was shown to the board and attendees present at the meeting.

Principal Report – D. Knight/ C. Moore

ELA tests were given April 2nd and 3rd and ELA will be given Wednesday and Thursday; a pep rally was given in advance of the tests. Field trips were scheduled on the ELA testing days for lower grades during the testing days. Boot Camps and after school help are continuing. Karate program has resumed (grades K-2) as well as the dance program (grades 3-5). Spoke on community events in the main building and the UPK building. Safety meetings were held and a job fair was also held.

Academic Report – C. Williams - No Report

Personnel Report – K. Sandiford

Openings for TA, Gen-Ed, Computer teacher and ELA specialist. Job Fair will be hosted June 2nd from 9am – 1 pm. TA will be voted on in executive session.

PTO Report – D. A. Seabourne

Meeting was held on 4/17/19; the vote was approved that the PTO would provide a new scoreboard for the new school gym with a logo of the school. The PTO volunteered to serve hot breakfast to the students on the ELA testing days April 2nd -3rd . PTO Bank balance was given and additional events the PTO will participate are as follows: Hot breakfast (May 1-2), International Day (June 7), Field Day (June 10). Votes were discussed regarding the PTO Board, however no new parents signed up for positions

Finance Report – M. Anglin - No Report

Fundraising Meeting – L. Stephens - No Report

L. Hamer thanked all for coming out; meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Next board meeting will be 5/20/19 at 6:30 p.m.

In executive session the following votes were approved and/or amended. R. Wilson made a motion to rescind the previous motion on the school floor done in February, C. Williams seconded; vote was approved. A new motion was made by C. Williams to allow Bishop Rice to seek the most economical school floor estimate not to exceed, 345.00; K Sandiford seconded; vote was approved. K Sandiford made a motion to hire Toni Nelson as a teacher's assistant; L. Stephens seconded; vote was approved.