

**John V. Lindsay Wildcat Academy Charter School
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes**

Date: August 18, 2022

Time: 11:00 AM

Place: Zoom Video

Members Present: Harvey Newman, Richard Levine, Ron Tabano, Dana Jackson, Evgenia Soldatos, Lawrence Ng, Darell Hayes

Members Absent: none

Call to Order: Mr. Newman called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m. on August 18, 2022.

Report of the Chairperson

The minutes summarizing the July 21, 2022 board meeting were disseminated prior to the meeting. There are no questions.

Motion: Mr. Newman makes the motion to accept the July 21, 2022 minutes.

Second: Mr. Tabano seconded the motion.

Vote: Unanimous.

Report of the CEO and Principal

Summer School Report – A total of 23 students completed their requirements and were granted a high school diploma. Those were the students who were listed as potential august graduates. By all accounts of teachers and staff this was by far the best summer in terms of student attendance, participation and work ethic.

Enrollment – Mr. Tabano Reports that due to the large graduating class, and students who have been truant, we have quite a few students that we need replace. We have to replace approximately 70 graduates, plus the students with long term absences. Over the past few weeks both Bronx and Manhattan are seeing steady streams in new applications. We suspect recruitment will take off early and mid-September as students return to their school and the school will make suggestions to transfer to educational institutions such as ours due to the student's inability to make it in their setting.

School Safety Plan: Resolution - Mr. Tabano reports the school safety plan has been updated and ready to submit to the state. However, we have a grant from last year, that we will utilize to update the safety plan with the next few months to make it more compliant.

Motion: Mr. Newman makes the motion to accept the revised school safety plan.
Second: Mr. Levine seconded the motion.
Vote: Unanimous.

School Emergency Plan: Resolution- The school emergency plan is the same plan, Mr. Tabano just updated it for people who may have taken on new roles. The plan deals with evacuations and drills for emergencies such as fires and active shooters. It will be sent to the state, however due to the sensitive information this document will not be uploaded to the website.

Beginning September, in alignment with the grant, both campuses will do some emergency and lockdown drills, so that faculty/staff and students can practice, leaving the building and going to an alternative site.

Motion: Mr. Newman makes the motion to accept the revised school emergency plan.
Second: Ms. Jackson seconded the motion.
Vote: Unanimous.

September Start Up- Teachers report back to schools on September 6th. The students come in on September 8th and at both campuses. We have a nice schedule planned for the first two days of school that includes, orientation work/ school culture, our internship program, and introducing a couple of new mental health initiatives with PBIS. We are going to institute all the things that we did prior to the pandemic in regards to cell phones, hats etc. Those restrictions also include the internship policy which states that If you have 30< credits you can use your own job to fulfill to internship requirement. Any student <30 will have to go to an internship.

School Calendar: Resolution - The calendar has been updated to reflect current school year dates. We will be following the DOE calendar.

Motion: Mr. Newman makes the motion to accept the School Calendar.
Second: Mr. Levine seconded the motion.
Vote: Unanimous

Bronx Renovation Update – Mr. Tabano informs the group that he has been up the Bronx every week. They have completed most of the painting on the third floor and they've completed the culinary painting. They've stopped the plumbing until they get they get plumbing supplies for

the bathrooms and the countertops. They will begin painting the second floor next week, and completing the lighting and new radiator covers which are on order. We have also gained clearance to add signage outside.

When all construction is complete, we are going to schedule a walk through so that everyone can see the updates.

Report of the CFOO

Financial Reports – Mr. Tabano reports that he is working with the state to determine how they will funnel the 150k to us. He’s continued to meet with council people and he’s met with an assembly gentlemen last week.

ERTC – Mr. Tabano reports that from the audit, it was determined that the school is eligible for 292,330.19, which will take 6 months or so to get.

New Business

Raises for the support staff. MS. Sakosky will get something in writing out to the board nearest the September meeting.

Mr. Newman asks for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Mr. Levine makes the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Ms. Jackson seconded the motion.

Vote: Unanimous.

The meeting adjourned 11:31 a.m.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for September 22, 2022, at 11:00 a.m.