

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF CULTURAL ARTS ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL**

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cultural Arts Academy Charter School was held at 1400 Linden Boulevard, Brooklyn, New York 11212 on February 6, 2020.

IN ATTENDANCE:

- Henry Clouden III, Treasurer
- Shirley A Glasgow, Secretary
- Cheryl Pemberton-Graves, Vice-President
- Chrysetta Patterson, Member
- Dr. AR Bernard, President
- Dr. Laurie B. Midgette, Principal

Also present: Gray N. Stewart, Director of Accountability and Compliance  
The meeting was called to order at 6:45pm with a quorum present.

Hank Clouden, Board Treasurer, provided our financial report. Discussion and questions were raised in reference to the category of “support services”. Clarification is needed as to specific itemized information which this category covers. The Board Treasurer will follow up with the school’s accounting firm.

- Renewal recommendations were made from the NYCDOE to the NYSED for Cultural Arts Academy Charter School was to extend the charter for 3 years.
- Changes have been made to Cultural Arts Academy Charter School discipline policy
- The Board reviewed and discussed CAACS’ third renewal in the context of the laws that govern charter schools.
- The Board reviewed and discussed the Charter Agreement Exhibit D – Goals and Conditions. CAACS received 2 operation/governance conditions from the charter agreement listed as follows:
  1. By June 30 of each year of the next charter term, the school must demonstrate growth in meeting the host community school district enrollment rate for English language learners and ultimately meet the host community school district enrollment rates by the end of the charter term.
  2. By June 30 of each year of the next charter term, the school must demonstrate growth in meeting the host community school district’s enrollment rates for students with disabilities and ultimately meet the host community school district enrollment rates by the end of the charter term.

The Board reviewed and discussed implementing a customized template developed and designed by Principal Laurie Midgette. This template will be used for monitoring and tracking scoring necessary for the five-year charter renewal.

The Board discussed the grant update from Enrollhand that was received. The grant proposals in preparation are underway for the following:

- The Cove Point foundation
- The Hearst foundation

Cultural Arts Academy Board members will collaborate with Principal Midgette to identify incentives and/or rewards for staff that have been employed for 10+ years.

- The Board reviewed and discussed State Accountability Resource tool.
- The Board reviewed and discussed the 2018 - 19 School Quality guide.

The Board discussed a response to a letter received from the CML education company in China who was reaching out to Cultural Arts Academy to request CAACS students to share letters of encouragement as global citizens to the children in school in China since the coronavirus crisis. Board agreed with sending letters of encouragement.

The Board discussed a school educational plan in case of the coronavirus pandemic.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:54pm.

---Minutes by Chrysetta Patterson, Board Member