



"Where Children And Success Are Synonymous"

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

1400 Linden Boulevard, Brooklyn, New York 11212

Wednesday, July 17, 2019

6:30pm-8:30pm

MISSION: Cultural Arts Academy Charter School's mission is to provide a college preparatory education with exemplary cultural arts proficiency (The Arts) to young leaders (Leader In Me) who will profoundly impact the human condition (International Baccalaureate).

Public Session: 7:30-8:30pm (Open)

AGENDA

- A. Call To Order
- B. Roll Call (Attendance)
- C. Approval of Minutes
- D. Committee Reports

TOPICS

1. NYCDOE ACR Meeting Request – July 25th

NYCDOE did a preliminary review of the data and findings from the ACR process and at this time they are requesting to meet with the board regarding implications for the renewal process. Below is a summary of their major discussion points:

- CAACS' ELA and Math proficiency rates are just below the CSD's.
(Correction needed – CAACS achieved higher proficiency in ELA than District 18).
- They discussed the importance of sub-group (ELL, SWD, FRPL) enrollment meeting or exceeding the district. CAACS is currently -8% in ELL enrollment, -10% in SWD enrollment, and -6% in FRLP enrollment (as compared to the CSD).

- Implementing a lottery preference for Students with Disabilities *(Correction needed – CAACS already has a lottery preference for Students with Disabilities).*
- OSDCP will not approve the material revision request to add a dual-language program because the school does not have 50% of its students speaking the second language (Spanish). CAACS can offer Spanish as a foreign language. *(CAACS already offers Spanish as a second language).*

CAACS submitted the following documents to NYCDOE for review:

- Sample teacher observations/evaluations
- Sample Math and ELA unit plans
- Professional development calendar
- Public notices of board meetings

Items discussed with Mr. Clouden (Board Treasurer) on June 3, 2019:

- Implementing a lottery preference for Students with Disabilities
- Dual-language material revision request
- Obtaining a Letter of Financial Support (from the church)
- Current employment status of staff hired for Grade 6
- Financial impact the new school building will have on the school

2. NYC Charter Center - Making the Most of the Renewal Application Year

***Recommended Audience:* School leaders and Board members**

Thursday, August 8, 9:00am – 12:00pm

Starting your renewal application year with clear objectives is critical. All stakeholders need to understand the school's current renewal positioning, plans for continued improvement, and how this affects the narrative for the renewal application. Pasek Consulting will share best practices for organizing the renewal application year, drawing from their experience supporting over 60 renewals from all three New York authorizers. Attendees will return to their schools with tools and resources to tackle activities for planning the renewal application in the important year ahead.

3. Pasek Consulting – NYSED Annual Report – Due August 1, 2019

We have received a link to our Annual Report Work Plan Folder. There are specific requirements for each authorizer and Pasek Consulting has flagged which ones our school should omit. As in the past, there are several deadlines: