

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 March 16, 2022.

Henry Clouden III, Treasurer
Cheryl Pemberton-Graves, Vice-President
Chrysetta Patterson, Member
Dean Sadek, Member
Dr. Kimberlee Pierre, Member
Dr. Laurie B. Midgette, Principal

The meeting was called to order at 6:32pm – 7:47pm with a quorum present.

Financial Report – Hank Clouden, Board Treasurer

Final 2021-22 Title 1 Allocations

Final title 1 allocations are set for NYS charter schools. Schools are to determine if amendments are needed. Our spending priorities will change because of three years of learning loss recovery. Therefore, grant amendments will become more regular. Our school's main seven current federal grants include COVID CSP, ESSER, CRRSA, ARP, Title 1, 2, and 4.

VOTE

The financial statements of Cultural Arts Academy Charter School were prepared by Stuart Sabal and the Finance Committee and presented by Henry Clouden, Treasurer. The Board reviewed related statements of activities and cash flow for one month, with the accompanying supplemental information. These statements were discussed in detail. There is sufficient cash to fund monthly operations.

Data Dashboard

- Year to Date Attendance Rate – 94.98% (increase of .48%)
- Current Immunization Status – 97.7% (*provisional status applied to the Klein family*)
 - In Person Student Enrollment – 185*
 - Virtual Enrollment Count – 16*
- ELL Enrollment - 4
- SPED Student Enrollment – 36
- Total Number of Families in Shelters – 4
- Title I-FRL: 78.00%
- **CIC Weekly Covid Testing:**
 - Test Performed YTD – 523
 - Positive Results YTD – 2
 - Test Performed this month – 92
- **COVID Lab Testing Data**
 - Test Performed YTD – 486

Positive Results YTD – 4 Adults / 8 Students
Test Performed this month – 0

- **Home Test Distribution –**

Department of Education/Department of Health – 1,852 Testing Kits
CAACS - 270 Testing Kits

TOTAL Tests In-House - 2122

YTD 315 Tests Distributed to Students

Students -

January 27 – 15 test kits – 0 positive results

January 26 – 56 test kits – 0 positive results

January 19 – 40 test kits – 0 positive results

February 18 – 204 test kits – 0 positive results

Staff - January 27 – 1 test kits – 0 positive results

2022 NYC School Survey: Family Survey

The 2022 NYC School survey is being administered online only for students and school staff; families have the option to participate in the survey online or on paper. The survey closes on March 25.

NYSED Grades 3–8 ELA and Math Exams

The New York State (NYS) grades 3–8 English Language Arts (ELA) and math exams will be administered from March 29–31 and April 26–28, respectively.

New ELL Students

We have welcomed three new students to the CAACS Family this month. The family arrived from Russia almost two months ago. They currently reside in a shelter awaiting permanent housing. The mother wanted to place her children in a more culturally diverse school community and after speaking to her social worker at the shelter Cultural Arts Academy was recommended to her. We were able to supply Mom with some gently used laundered items to start as well arranging for the family to purchase uniforms from one of our uniform partners. Our Russian SPED Professor welcomed the new scholars in their familiar language! That initial contact in their native language put them immediately at ease. Our scholars have been very welcoming and are excited to learn a new language.

Adjournment – 7:47pm