



"Where Children And Success Are Synonymous."

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

1400 Linden Boulevard
Brooklyn, New York 11212
Wednesday, March 20, 2013
6:30pm-8:30pm

VISION: Cultural Arts Academy Charter School is an exemplary learning community that aligns the natural abilities of each child with innovative strategies and techniques that stimulate scholarship and life-long learning that profoundly impacts the human condition.

MISSION: The Cultural Arts Academy Charter School mission is to provide an exemplary, K-12 standards-based arts education program that promotes superior scholarship and strong cultural arts proficiency.

AGENDA

7:30-8:30PM

Public Meeting (OPEN)

This session is a public session for the purpose of conducting school business.

***Please refer to the "Board of Trustees Protocols and Procedures for Public Meetings"*

MAIN TOPICS

- School Budgeting
- Charter School Funding 2013-2014
- The 2013-2014 Annual Budget (VOTE)
- Fundraising and Grants
- Promotion-In-Doubt Policy
- 3rd Grade Exam Preparation Update

A. Call To Order

B. Roll Call (Attendance)

Dr. A.R. Bernard, President

Cheryl A. Pemberton, Vice-President

Henry J. Clouden, III, Treasurer

Shirley A. Glasgow, Parent Representative

Chrysetta Patterson, Member

Susan V. Fox, Member

C. Approval of February Minutes (VOTE)

D. Acceptance of Informational Items and Reports: Parent Involvement Reports; Finance, Facilities and Operations, Curriculum and Instruction (VOTE)

E. Adjournment



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A MEETING of the Board of Trustees of the cultural arts Academy charter school at Spring Creek was held at 1400 Linden Blvd., Brooklyn, NY on March 20, 2013 at 6:30 PM

IN ATTENDANCE: CHERYL PEMBERTON
CHRYSETTA PATTERSON
SHIRLEY GLASGOW
ALSO PRESENT: LAURIE B. MIDGETTE, Principal

Meeting was called to order by CHRYSETTA PATTERSON who made a motion to accept the agenda motion was second by SHIRLEY GLASGOW.

LAURIE B. MIDGETTE shared with the Board that CAA has been listed on Greatschools.org and Inside Schools and has received rave reviews written by parents. The Annual Open House was well attended.

The fiscal year 2013-2014 budget report that was prepared by CAA accountant STUART M. SABAL was presented. Budget and budget process was discussed in detail. Two components to budget separated as revenues and expenses. Total operating budget is based on 265 students since in the fall CAA will be taking on an additional 45 students. Additional expenses for the fall will go to such expenses as but not limited to, Librarian, an additional safety officer, floater, additional custodian or cleaning service. Principal Midgette is looking to reduce all class sizes. Others expenses that will increase are salaries, insurance and medical due to new staff. CAA has meet all expenses without issue the to date due to Title I and Title II and \$300,000 grant. Board reviewed CAA Budget request Form 2013-2014 developed for Administrators to request supplies, materials or equipment. Motion was made by SHIRLEY GLASGOW to accept the 2013-2014 budget. The motion was properly second by CHERYL PEMBERTON.

Principal Midgette informed BOARD that CAACS would be receiving \$34,000 for the Title I grant based on our free and reduced lunch application for 2012-2013. FS10-F long forms were submitted for the Title I, Title II and \$300,000 CSP grant received last year. CAA intends to complete the long form for any grants received.

CAACS BOARD read and reviewed in detail the Open Meetings Law frequently asked Questions handout. See handout from New Your City charter School Center for clarification at http://www.nyccharterschools.org/sites/default/files/resources/operations_memo_ii_oml_faq.pdf. CCC News media department will be notified with BOARD MEETING schedule.

LAURIE B. MIDGETTE reviewed the Promotion in Doubt policy. Next Parent Teacher Conference April 25, 2013. Policy informs parents that CAA does not have a summer school program children in need of attending summer school will attend a local public school. Principal Midgette updated BOARD on 3rd grade examination, informed CAACS BOARD that this year's test will be the most difficult. The test has been revised.

CAACS has 126 families who have filled out Parent Survey so far. Parent Coordinator has devised incentives to get parents involved and has been very successful, only a few families have not filled out form.


Fitness Day was a well-attended event that involved exercise and dance from African to Zumba. CAA also had a Biggest Loser contest for staff.

CAACS currently has the following school clubs: Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Soccer, and Chess.

Next meeting tentative scheduled for April 17, 2013 pending renovations.

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was made CHERYL PEMBERTON, and seconded by SHIRLEY GLASGOW to adjourn the meeting which Motion was unanimously approved.

Dated: March 20th, 2013


Trustee