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MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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

AGENDA

Business Meeting (Closed): 6:30-7:30pm
General Meeting (Open) 7:30-8:30pm

- A. Call To Order
 - B. Roll Call (Attendance)
 - C. Approval of December Minutes
 - D. Reports: Budget and Finance, Curriculum and Instruction, Facilities and Operations
 - E. Calendar of Meetings and Events
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- A. The 2nd Quarter Results and Parent-Teacher Conference on January 24th
 - B. Turnkey of Information from January 16th Tweed Accountability Meeting
 - C. Preparation for the 3rd Grade Exam
 - D. Professional Reading: "Board Meetings: A Guide for Charter Schools" by Marci Cornell-Feist
 - E. Recommended Reading: "Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised" by Robert, Honeman and Bach



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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

A meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on January 30, 2013. The Executive meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. In attendance: Shirley Glasgow, Susan Fox, Laurie Midgette and Cheryl Pemberton.

Parent-Teacher Conferences were held on January 24, 2013. 181 parents, 71% of the parent community participated.

BUS STRIKE: The bus strike is only affecting our Special Education students. Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg and Chancellor Walcott have outlined the steps the City is taking to assist families because bus service is interrupted, including robo-calling affected families, and providing MetroCards and reimbursements for those who must drive or use a car service. The system-wide strike is impacting more than 152,000 students, 54,000 of whom have disabilities and require special transportation services. The union - Local 1181 of the Amalgamated Transit Union - is striking because the contract bid specifications did not include job guarantees for certain current drivers. Because of the strike, the following protocols are in effect for families of students who currently receive yellow bus service:

- All students who currently receive yellow bus service can receive a MetroCard. MetroCards should be requested through the school's general office. The DOE has informed the Metropolitan Transit Authority that it will need to accommodate additional riders.
- Parents of pre-school and school-age children with Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) and require transportation from their home directly to their school, as well as parents of general education children in grades K-2, may also request a MetroCard to escort their children to school.
- Parents of children who receive busing from their home or are in grades K through 6 and do not live in areas where public transportation between home and school is available, may request reimbursement for transportation costs. Parents who drive their children to school will be reimbursed at a rate of 55 cents per mile. Parents who use a taxi or car service to transport their child to school will be reimbursed for the trip upon completion of reimbursement forms that includes a receipt for provided services. Requests for reimbursements should be made weekly on forms that will be available on the DOE web site, www.schools.nyc.gov, and in schools' general offices. Families who plan to drive

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or use a car service to carpool are encouraged to carpool with their neighbors whenever possible.

LOTTERY: The Lottery is April 4, 2013. 250 applications have been received so far.

DATA DASHBOARD: The Board reviewed the dashboard for each area of responsibility (Operations, Instruction, Medical Services and Food Services) and discussed our accountability.

There are currently 45 students on the Gold-level Honor Roll. They will receive a recognition breakfast to which their parents will be invited.

ACCOUNTABILITY MEETING: Principal Midgette attended a meeting on accountability for charter schools at Tweed. CAACS has received a letter from the NYSED stating that the school is in good standing.

TITLE I: CAACS will receive \$34,000 in Title I Funds for 2012-2013.

TEST PREP: The 3rd grade will be taking their first NYS assessments in April. CAACS is holding 6 Test Prep Saturday sessions as well as AIS classes for 22 students in the afterschool program.

ADVOCACY DAY: Advocacy Day will take place on February 5, 2013. CAACS will send one bus to Albany. Our participation will be counted as our National School Choice Week event.

NEW SECURITY: In light of the tragedy in Connecticut in December 2012, CAACS has reviewed all security procedures, protocols and the safety plan. Additionally, we will be contracting with Taylor Made Security for two additional officers to be added.

COLGATE WOMEN'S GAMES: CAACS Girls Track Team participated in the Colgate Women's Games and qualified for the semi-finals.

A motion was made by Susan Fox to adjourn and seconded by Shirley Glasgow. Meeting was adjourned at 8:28pm.

Dated: January 30, 2013

Shirley Glasgow, Board Member