

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
AMANI PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

March 11, 2019

A meeting of the Board of Trustees (the “**Board**”) of the Amani Public Charter School (the “**School**”), was held at the School’s facility at 60 South Third Avenue, Mount Vernon, NY on March 11, 2019, beginning at approximately 7:00 pm. local time pursuant to notice duly given.

The following Trustees were present in person at the meeting: Sidney Burke, Gene Johnson, Robert Jones, and Jim Killoran. Derrick Dunlap was not present.

Also present at the meeting were the following School employees: Debra Stern, Sandra Bynum, Phil Salmon, Jamell Scott, and Bruce Tanner.

Mr. Burke presided as Chair of the meeting and recorded the minutes as secretary for the meeting.

Attached as Exhibit A are the materials provided to the Board at or prior to the meeting.

After noting that a quorum was present, the Chair called the meeting to order.

1. Public Comment. The Chair opened the floor for public comment. No one from the public chose to speak.
2. Approval of Prior Minutes. The minutes of the Board meetings held on February 11, 2019, were reviewed and unanimously approved.
3. School Snapshot. Mrs. Stern presented the School Snapshot to the Board, including a discussion of the implementation of Tableau for the data dashboard (to be ready for the next Board meeting) and student recruiting/enrollment (including application numbers, advertising that the School is using, community events, flyer handouts at school drop-offs, open houses, and additional outreach to Spanish speakers, including Spanish Facebook posts and Spanish radio show advertising). Members of the Board discussed asked various questions, which were answered.
4. Budget. Mr. Salmon provided an update regarding the School’s performance vs. budget and discussed the key drivers of the variances and certain key considerations for the upcoming budget. Members of the Board discussed asked various questions, which were answered.

5. Instructional. Mrs. Bynum provided an update regarding test preparation, plans to assess incoming fifth graders early, summer school (both for those failing and potentially for enrichment), and instructional program enhancements/development.

6. Data Analysis. Mrs. Bynum described the current standards being taught, and analysis that will be ready in advance of the next Board meeting.

7. Culture. Mr. Scott provided an update on various culture items, including improvements since January in Dean requests, lateness, and detentions.

8. Operations. Mr. Tanner updated the Board regarding flood damage repairs, and discussed potential long-term capital projects. The Board discussed these matters and asked various questions, which were answered.

9. Upcoming Events. Mrs. Stern described upcoming events at the School.

10. Items for Future Meetings.

- Demographic data regarding applicants
- Re-engaging with fundraising consultants?
- Projections on student performance on state tests

11. Adjournment. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sidney Burke
Secretary for the Meeting

APPROVED:

Jim Killoran
Secretary

EXHIBIT A

[Board materials attached]

EXHIBIT B

Resolutions of the
Board of Trustees (the “**Board**”)
of the
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None.