

**CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL FOR ARCHITECTURE
ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRIES**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Date: Tuesday, January 12, 2016
Time: 6:00 pm
Location 383 Brook Avenue , Bronx, NY 10454

MINUTES

1. Welcome/Role Call

Present were Carlo Schiattrella, Paul Comrie, Robert Burton, Andrew McLaughlin, Patricia Martin, Alberto Villaman

Counsel: Flora Edwards
Principal: Charles Gallo

2. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Andrew McLaughlin and seconded by Robert Burton to approve the minutes of December 8, 2015.

3. Principal's Report

- a. Enrollment - 405 students. There are 81 students on the wait list which is well within budget expectation
- b. Attendance on the first day is 91.8% .
- c. Regents examinations are scheduled for January 26-29 with an additional Regents Examination in February.
- d. Open House is scheduled for February 28, 2016.
- e. Saturday Academy continues with 62-74 students in attendance every week.
- d. NYS Education Department Report Card - the School made its AYP targets in all areas: English, Mathematics and Graduation Rates for the 2010 cohort. For 2015 the overall graduation rate is 88%.

4. Academic Committee

- a. Committee discussed upcoming mid-term and Regents exams.
- b. Revamp the Failure is not an Option - with projects tailored specifically to areas which need improvement
- c. Strategies are being developed to improve the college aspirational performance measures,.
- d. The school started a robotics group after school,. Teams of students are meeting every day to work on project. Plans in progress to develop a robotics course
- e. 10 students are going to CCNY to participate in the orientation summer architecture program.]

5. Facilities

The Committee met on January 9, 2016 for a kick-off meeting with TPG , three students and two teachers. A survey on facilities was developed and disseminated. Follow-up meetings are planned to refine the survey and plan next steps.

- 6. Moved by Robert Burton and Alberto Villaman seconded at 8:30pm to go into Executive Session. Approved unanimously

- 7. Moved by Alberto Villaman and Robert Burton to return to the record at 8:50pm.

8. New Hires

Moved by Patricia Martin seconded by Paul Comry to hire the following:

Shoundel P. McIntosh - Assistant Principal for Technology, Science & Engineering

Approved Unanimously.

- 9. Moved by Andrew McLaughlin Seconded by Robert Burton to adjourn 9pm

to discuss real estate, labor negotiations and personnel.

- g. .The school committee has been formed to work with TPG for the development of the master plan.

4. Academic Committee Meeting

The Committee discussed the School Quality Snapshot which focuses on six areas in addition to student achievement: (1) rigorous instruction; (2) collaborative teachers; (3) supportive environment; (4) effective school leadership; (5) Strong family community ties; and (6) trust

85% of ninth graders are on track. 92% of tenth grade students are on track which is very favorable in comparison to both city and comparison group.

The data shows excellent results in student achievement. Our progress rate is excellent in all areas except science which will require special attention to improve results.

AECI 4-year graduation rate is 87% as compared to the city average of 70%. The six-year graduation rate is 80% which compares with a 76% 6-year graduation rate for NYC.

89% of Students who come to AECI at level 3 or level 4 graduate college ready which is higher than the NYC average of 86%

23% of student who come to AECI at level 2 graduate college ready, which is lower than the NYC average. This area requires additional attention in mathematics

10% of students who come to AECI at 1 graduate college ready which is higher than the city average of 4%

5. Facilities Committee

The Committee reviewed the progress of the master plan with the architect.

6. Finance Committee

Caren Goff and Andrew McLaughlin joined the Finance Committee

7. Moved by Robert Burton and seconded by Andrew McLaughlin to go into Executive Session at 8:50 pm.

8. Moved by Andrew McLaughlin seconded by Robert Burton to return to the record at 8:55 pm

9. **Adjournment**

Moved at 8:50 pm by Paul Comrie, seconded by Robert Burton to adjourn. Approved unanimously