

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

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2016
Time: 6:30 pm
Location 383 Brook Avenue , Bronx, NY 10454

MINUTES

1. Welcome/Role Call

Present were Carlo Schiattarella, Irma Zardoya, Andrew McLaughlin, Caren Goff, Patricia Martin, Robert Burton, Paul Comrie

Counsel: Flora Edwards, Esq.
Principal: Charles Gallo
Guest: Yulys Linguanti - Victory Education Partners

2. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Patricia Martin seconded by Andrew McLaughlin to approve the minutes of March 8 2016.

3. Principal's Report

- a. Enrollment 400 students. There are 612 students on the wait list for the upcoming lottery for 150 openings.
- b. Attendance is 91.5 per cent.
- c. Parent Teacher Conferences were held in March with 175 parents in attendance.
- d. 93% of the students in the Senior class have applied for college with 81% having filled out the FAFSA form.
- e. Graduation rate is currently at 83%.
- f. Technology Upgrades - Comparative quotes will be solicited to replace the smart boards
- g. The School Survey was distributed:
 - Teachers 97% responded
 - Students 94% responded
 - Parents 75% responded

h. School 2016-2017

Moved by Robert Burton seconded by Andrew McLaughlin to approve the school calendar for 2016-17 with the modification that returning teachers will return on August 29, 2016. Approved unanimously.

4. Facilities Committee

The committee met and reviewed the draft TPG report both for short term projections and long term projections. The final report will be presented to the Board at its next meeting.

5. Academic Committee

The Academic Committee met and discussed:

- a. Curriculum enhancements in Math, Science and ELA.
- b. Advanced placement course in Human Geography and Trigonometry.
- c. Staff meetings with students weekly during lunch hour to discuss their college experiences.
- d. The development of a personal finance curriculum.
- e. Enhancements to the laboratories to strengthen the science curriculum.
- f. Monitoring attendance has shown improvement. Increased focus on lateness.

6. Finance Committee

The Committee met to review the budget

Andrew McLaughlin and Robert Burton seconded at 8:10 pm to go into Executive Session. Approved unanimously.

8. Moved by Andrew McLaughlin and Paul Comrie to return to the record at 9:30 pm.

9. Moved by Irma Zardoya seconded by Caren Goff to sponsor an HB-1 Visa for one teacher at a cost not to exceed \$2,500.00. Approved unanimously.

10. Moved by Andrew McLaughlin and seconded by Paul Comrie to return to the record at 9pm.

11. Adjournment

Moved by Andrew McLaughlin seconded by Caren Goff to adjourn 9:10pm