

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The Eugenio Maria de Hostos Charter School Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, April 30, 2024. Board Chairman Julio Vázquez called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m. A quorum was established.

Board Members Present:

Julio Vázquez, Angélica Pérez-Delgado, Dr. Miriam Vázquez, Eugenio Marlin, Rosemary Johnson, Ryan Caster, and Gloria Soldevila.

Board Members Absent:

Dr. Marcia DeJesús-Rueff, and Miguel Meléndez.

School Staff & Others Present:

Sandra Chevalier-Blackman, Nikki Kersbergen, Wanda Serrano, Leslie Rivera, Solange George, Vincent Alexander, John Harris, Mr. Dahlson, Maria Garcia, Alanivette Santiago, Kareilys Rosario, Aaliyah Melendez, and Kamila Ramirez.

MISSION MOMENT:

ELT Coordinator Ms. George and Music Teacher Mr. Dahlson presented the mission moment. Five students, Maria Garcia, Alanivette Santiago, Kareilys Rosario, Aaliyah Melendez, and Kamila Ramirez, sang 4 different songs from the production of Willy Wonka Jr.

PUBLIC INPUT:

No public input.

CHAIRMAN REPORT:

SUNY Visit

The full board met with SUNY on Tuesday, April 23rd. Mr. Vázquez thanked all the board members for attending.

Next Board Retreat

Topics of Discussions:

- 1. Finance discussion on how much money to have on hand for future deficits and;
- 2. Plan to invest money in teacher recruitment and professional development and student development.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT: Enrollment:

- Enrollment for March 1000 students
- Enrollment for April 996 students

Attendance:

• February's attendance was an average of 84%, and March was 81%.

The Data Dashboard that was presented during the meeting included the following:

- K-6: Performance Task (EL Education)
- 7-8: Project (EL Education)
- 9-12: Project (EL Education)
- 2020 Cohort Accountability

Operations:

Facilities:

- Garage door repair at 1119 Joseph
- Restrooms doors for the elementary bathroom to be delivered and installed by next week
- Elementary floors to be refinished during Spring Break
- Looking at installing AC for the elementary gymnasium

Safety and Security:

- New & secured doors needed at the elementary gymnasium
- Workplace Violence Prevention Program was provided to staff on Wellness Day.

Joseph Expansion:

- Approval from City Planning Commission received
- Need to get approval from Zoning

COVID-19

• 50 total cases to date

ELT Updates:

Before School:

• Before school at the Zimbrich Campus, 83 students are enrolled, with 96% attendance

After School

- After School at the Zimbrich Campus, 86 students enrolled with 97% attendance
- After School at the Joseph Campus, 20 students enrolled with 72% attendance

РТО

- PTO was on Tuesday, April 23, 2024, and the topic was Math Night.
- 25 families attended

CEO Updates:

Items of Discussion:

- Recruitment Initiatives
- Community Engagement
- SUNY Evaluation Visit

- EMHCS lottery was held on April 11th
- Wellness Day took place on April 22nd

ACADEMIC COMMITTEE REPORT:

No new updates.

FINANCE MANAGER REPORT/FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

The Finance Committee met before the board meeting.

Financial Reports

Ms. Kersbergen reviewed the financial statements for March 2024. Please see the attached report.

The Finance Committee presented the resolution declaring its official intent to reimburse was approved during March's 2023 board meeting to be updated to reflect the increase from \$15,000,000 to \$40,000,000. Mr. Marlin moved the motion, and Dr. Vázquez seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS:

The minutes of March's board meeting were presented for approval. Ms. Pérez-Delgado moved the motion, and Mr. Marlin seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

March's financials were presented for approval. Ms. Pérez-Delgado moved the motion, and Mr. Marlin seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Workplace Violence Prevention Policy Statement, an addition to the Employee Handbook, was presented for approval. Mr. Vázquez moved the motion, and Mr. Marlin seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

The update to the Employee Handbook regarding the proposed amendment to the existing footwear dress code policy was presented for approval. Ms. Pérez-Delgado moved the motion, and Mr. Caster seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Building Committee: No new updates.

Personnel Committee: No new updates.

Governance Committee:

The board currently has two open slots; they are looking for expertise in Human Resources and Law. Mr. Marlin and Mr. Vázquez met with a potential board member, Ms. Caroline Rodriguez. She is currently working with the Monroe County District Attorney's Office as an attorney. Attorney, Caroline Rodriguez was presented for approval. Mr. Caster moved the motion, and Dr. Vázquez seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Fundraising Committee:

Ms. Pérez-Delgado and Mr. Vázqnez will meet with Mr. Peter Carpino to discuss the structure of the Fundraising Committee before scheduling the next meeting. Mr. Carpino currently works as a fundraising consultant and will assist in coaching the committee and assisting in ways to increase funds for the Capital Campaign – Joseph Campus Expansion Project.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business No new business.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Vázquez requested a motion to adjourn the meeting with no other business to discuss. Mr. Marlin moved the motion, and Dr. Vázquez seconded it. The motion was approved unanimously.

NEXT MEETING:

The next Board Meeting will be on Tuesday, May 28, 2024. It will be at the Administrative Office, 977 Joseph Avenue, conference room, Rochester, NY 14621.

Respectfully submitted,

Angélica Pérez-Delgado

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