



ATMOSPHERE ACADEMY

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Atmosphere Academy Public Charter Schools Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes March 28, 2018

Atmosphere Academy Charter School Building
22 Marble Hill Avenue
New York, New York 10463

Board Members Attending:

Mr. Alan Dillon
Mr. Mervin Burton
Mr. Jesse J. Greene, Jr.
Dr. Michael Lagas

Board Members Absent:

Dr. Evan Powderly

Others in Attendance:

Mr. Colin J. Greene
Mr. Bryan Fryer
Mr. Ben Pah
Ms. Cheryl Sacco (by phone)
Ms. Elizabeth Nash
Mr. Christian Roman

The meeting was preceded by the annual visit and review with representatives of SUNY, the schools authorizer.

Agenda Item 1. Call to order.

At approximately 7:10 PM the meeting was called to order by Dr. Lagas.

Agenda Item 2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dr. Lagas.

Agenda Item 3. Board Reports

Mr. J. Greene reported on the Finance Committee call of March 16, 2018..

Agenda Item 4. Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

Agenda Item 5. Revision and Adoption of the Agenda

There were no revisions to the Agenda and it was adopted.

By motion of the board to adopt the Agenda.

Vote Aye: A. Dillon, M. Burton, J. Greene, M. Lagas.

Nays: none

Agenda Item 6.1. SUNY Renewal

The board discussed the SUNY meeting and renewal opportunity prior to the beginning of the board's regular agenda items.

Agenda Item 6.1a Special Education Billing Update

Ms. Nash gave the board an update of her efforts to reach agreement with the city on payment for special education services provided by the school.

Agenda Item 6.2. Board Minutes

The minutes from the February meeting were reviewed, minor changes suggested and approved as modified. Mr. J. Greene is to incorporate the changes and return them to C. Greene for sending to SUNY.

By motion of the board to adopt the February 2018 Minutes.

Vote Aye: A. Dillon, M. Burton, J. Greene, M. Lagas.

Nays: none

Agenda Item 6.3. Finance

Mr. Fryer reviewed the year to date financial results, certain expenses for trips, cash on hand, and the loan program supporting the school. He also reviewed the developing budget for 2018-2019 school year. He reviewed variable elements, elective funding and the level of applications supporting the new budget. Loan amounts for the next per pupil payment cycle were presented and discussed.

Agenda Item 6.4. Enrollment

Mr. Pah reviewed the current FTE student levels. He noted that the school had added 20 students since January.

Agenda Item 6.5. Achievement

Mr. C. Greene reviewed the 8th grade test results with the board. He then reviewed efforts to improve scores including class size management, tutoring structures and the tutor advisor role design.

Agenda Item 6.6. Director of Operations

Mr. Pah discussed his current role, his achievements, challenges and status.

Agenda item 7. No consent Agenda Items

Agenda Item 8 and 9. Executive Session

The board moved to enter executive session to discuss a student/parent issue.

By motion of the board to enter executive session.

Vote Aye: A. Dillon, M. Burton, J. Greene, M. Lagas.

Nays: none

Agenda Item 11. Return to Public Session

At 9:02PM the board to returned to Public Session.

By motion of the board to return to Public Session.

Vote Aye: A. Dillon, M. Burton, J. Greene, M. Lagas.

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Nays: none

Agenda Item 12. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

Agenda Item 13. New Business

There was no new business.

Agenda Item 14. Adjournment

At 9:03PM the board moved to adjourn.

By motion of the board to adjourn..

Vote Aye: A. Dillon, M. Burton, J. Greene, M. Lagas.

Nays: none

Meeting adjourned.