

Members Present: Mr. Ed Hubbard, Mr. Jim Stringfellow

Members Present (video):, Ms. Erika King, Mr. Ardian Hasko, Mr. Jeff Patuto,

Members Absent: Mr. Len Gilbert, Ms. Julia Arrington, Mr. Ben Costa

Potential Board Members: n/a

Meeting Called to Order

Mr. Hubbard opened up the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Development Update

Ms. Megan Benway reviewed progress in marketing our Spring Reception, including our need for auction items. Tickets are \$150 each.

Mr. Errol Olton reminded attendees of the Mi Garba event, scheduled for March 27, 2019.

Finance Report

Mr. Gabriel Park, CFO, reviewed the January finances. Mr. Park reviewed the annual forecasts for income, including Title changes, and expenses, including projections for staff and scholar recruitment.

Academic Recruitment Presentation

Ms. Tracee Black presented a slideshow reviewing past, present and future scholar recruitment efforts. The Board discussed possible improvements to the recruiting posters, by adding a QR Barcode. The Board reviewed the procedure by which our enrollment preferences work and how applications are randomized.

Adult Education Update

Mr. Errol Olton discussed Equality's relationship with Assemblyperson Karina Reyes, who we hope will be a good ally and friend to our organization. Mr. Olton recapped a recent meeting with Bronx Community College, with whom we hope to forge a satellite partnership.

Governance Report

Ms. Caitlin Franco reported that Ms. Ayisha Devonish's application for Board membership is awaiting NYCDOE approval.

Academic Accountability Report

Ms. Jocelyn Kelly reviewed the academic accountability report, including current initiatives to increase individual support from ELL teachers to "Expanding" ELL scholars. The Board discussed that our ELL program and program participants have had a very positive impact on school culture overall. Ms. Kelly discussed that in some cases, work study can replace a Regents exam requirement. The Board reviewed that our efforts to expand work study options to include more local options.

Ms. Franco reported on our efforts directed at renewal and expansion, including our work with Mr. Vince Marrone. Ms. Franco debriefed the Board on her recent meeting with Ms. Laurie Hazeley of the DOE, and

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our plan to leverage past DOE relationships in strengthening our messaging around renewal and expansion.

Adjournment

Upon motion and approval, the meeting was adjourned.

Signature

Date