



## **BRONX ACADEMY OF PROMISE**

### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD**

**June 9, 2026**

**Location:** In Person

**Present:** Chairman Rev. Michael Carrion, Carlibi Rojas, Agatha Akyere, Glenn Corwin, and Kevin Kearns, and Milca Meyer

**Excused:** Dennis Sze

#### **Opening Remarks**

Rev. Carrion called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM. The minutes of the May 2026 Board meeting were adopted.

#### **School Leader's Report – Principal Nicholas Parrino**

##### **Enrollment**

Total Enrollment: 636 Students (690 total including 54 Pre-K students)

- Special Education: 134 students (21% of total student body)
- English Language Learners (ENL): 173 students (27% of total student body)
- Attendance for May: 92% overall attendance rate (91% for General Education and 90% for Special Education students)

##### **Staff Updates**

- Released: None
- Hired: None
- Positions to Be Filled: 7/8 SS/ELA SpED Teacher, 6th Grade Teacher

##### **School Updates / Curriculum & Instruction**

- Pre-K Orientation in April
- Grades 3rd - 8th took NYS ELA, MATH & Science Test. Student less anxious
- Pre-K Mother's day event and May Parent Breakfast. Highest attendance rate for both event all year
- The End of Year process began including PID Meetings. Fewer students nominated since the revamped AIS & Intervention Program.
- Moved from ADP to ExtensisHR as its PEO. Meeting scheduled to assist in the transition
- Negotiations between BAOP and UFT began
- The Board of Regents voted on May 18th to approve BAOP HIGH SCHOOL 🎉 starting 9th

grade IN THE FALL!!!!!! On the 19th a parent meeting was held for 8th graders to provide information and options.

### **School Celebrations/Events**

- May 21st: The Showcase of the Arts took place in the evening, highlighting all the great creative accomplishments of our students over the past academic year.
- May 26th, May 28th, June 1st: PK to 6th Grade Field Days were successfully held.
- Week of May 26th: Staff Appreciation Week was celebrated under the theme “Celebrating the service of our 5 star staff!” Special activities included Amazon Gift Card Check Ins, a Yogurt Bar/Room Service Snacks event, and a BBQ Picnic featuring raffle giveaways.
- June 2nd: The Sports Luncheon took place, proudly sponsored by Apple Bank.
- June 3rd: The End of the Year Glee Performance featuring Encanto Jr. was presented.
- June 4th: The monthly Parent Breakfast event was successfully held.
- June 5th: The End of the Year Check Out Professional Development (PD) session for staff was completed.

### **Upcoming Events:**

- June 12th: Awards Day for 1st to 7th Grade
- June 12th: 8th Grade Prom at 6 PM
- June 16th: 8th Grade Graduation at 9 AM at the Bronx Community College
- June 18th: Pre-K Carnival Moving Up at 9:30 AM
- June 22nd: Kindergarten Moving Up at 9:30 AM
- June 26th: Last Day of School

### **Executive Director Report**

- **Monroe College Program Updates:** Highlighted progress on the Monroe College visitation program. This initiative will incorporate a value-add component, allowing participating students to earn college credit by taking an accredited college-level course.
- **5th Grade Disney Trip:** Presented a proposal for a 5th-grade student trip to Disney, to be scheduled for the upcoming school year alongside the 11th-grade travel plans.
- **11th Grade Disneyland Paris Trip:** Presented an international travel proposal for 11th-grade students to visit Disneyland Paris during the upcoming school year.
- 49 out of 54 registered for Pre-K, 18 currently for Kindergarten

### **Business Office Report**

- BAOP Board approved the 2026-2027 Budget; Unanimously

### **Unfinished Business**

- None at this time

### **Public Expressions**

- **Brendan Check (Union Representative & BAOP Coach):** Spoke regarding the positive morale and healthy environment of the school. He expressed strong confidence in the school's future under the core pillars and strategic direction established by Principal Parrino. Mr. Check noted that a cost-of-living increase is the only item being requested for this contract and encourages a swift, positive resolution to the union negotiations.
- **Gretta Doud (8th Grade ELA Teacher):** Expressed immense pride in the school, the staff, and how far the community has come. She highlighted the beautiful rapport between parents and students, noting that she looks forward to upcoming changes being handled with mutual respect from both sides.
- **Kathleen Butler:** Provided input on the school's positive growth, highlighting the deep sense of love and admiration felt within the community. She emphasized her desire for future transitions to remain respectful, ensuring everyone is brought to a level playing field.

### **Adjournment**

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM; voted to move to Executive Sessions