

**BRONX ACADEMY OF PROMISE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD
February 8, 2022**

Location: Online via Zoom.com

Present: Rev. Dr. Michael Carrion, Carlibi Rojas, Agatha Akyere, Kevin Kearns

Excused: Milca Meyer, Dennis Sze

Minutes: Rev. Dr. Michael Carrion called the meeting into session at 7:09pm

I The **minutes** of the Board meeting held in January 2022 were adopted by the board.

II. Principal Schiraldi presented the School Leader's Report:

Enrollment

Current Enrollment—596 Total Students

Special Education – 122students – 20.4%

ELL – 70 students – 11.7%

Attendance Rate

January Attendance Rate for Total Enrollment – 89.6 %

January Attendance Rate for Special Education Enrollment – 87.8 %

Staff Updates

- Released –
 - Operations Associate
- Hired –
- We are still looking to hire for the following positions -
 - K-2 ELL Teacher
 - 2nd Grade Teacher
 - 6th Grade Teacher
 - 7th/8th Grade Special Ed. Teacher
 - 1st Grade Leave Replacement (2)
 - Operations Associate (2)
 - Chef
 - Custodian

Staff Development

- Friday, January 28th, Teachers and Teacher Assistants participated in two Professional Development workshops.
 - iReady – “Understanding and Responding to growth Data”
 - o Behavior Management – Presented by Ms. Osias & Ms. Morales

Academic Achievement Measures

- The Mock 3rd-8th grade NYS Assessments are being administered this week. Once scored, teachers will use item analysis to determine which standards and skills to focus on before the actual tests. During Data Team meetings, teachers and administration will work together to plan the strategies which will be implemented in order to help students move to proficiency.
- Mr. Parrino gave a presentation of iReady Data Comparison which shows achievement growth from September to January

School Celebrations/Events

- Monday, January 24th- Friday, January 28th – National School Choice week.
 - Parents received a calendar for the week with the daily theme. Gifts were given each day to the parents that came to the school to drop their children off in the morning. This year the gifts included a fleece scarf with the school logo, a travel mug with the school logo filled with coffee, tea or hot chocolate, a tote bag with the school’s name, address, phone number & web address, and a “breakfast to go”. Each gift went along with the daily theme.
 - Students participated in various student choice activities on Friday, January 28th in their homeroom classes.
 - Glee Cub learned this year’s School Choice Dance and created a video presentation which was sent out to all classes to view and posted on Class Dojo for our families to see.
- Monday, January 31st, Parent Workshop presented by Ms. Morales, “Buddies, Not Bullies.”
- February 2nd & 4th, Parent Literacy Workshop presented by Ms. Jimenez, “Strategies to Help Your Struggling Reader at Home.”
- A similar module for Mathematics will be scheduled next month
- Friday, February 4th – 2nd Quarter Report Cards were sent home.
- Monday, February 21st- February 25th – School will be Closed for Mid-Winter Recess.

Covid-19 Safety Measures – Mr. Parrino

- Covid testing & Vaccinations

- Vaccinations for students 12 and older will be offered at the school on Wednesday, February 16th, and the 2nd shot will be given on Wednesday, March 9th.
- Expanded student testing to 20% level or about 80 per week

III. Consultant Updates

1. Nora Clancy from Pasek Consulting made a presentation on the upcoming renewal process

- Next year is 5th year of term
- NYC DOE will assess and give recommendation to Regents
- Discussed conditions attached to last renewal- 3 conditions partially met
- Renewal milestone dates through April 2023 discussed
- Revision process outlined
- Deadline estimated as Sept 1 2022 to submit application
- Rev. Carrion pointed out that the effects of the two year pandemic are impacting results – it is not “business as usual”; Ms. Clancy indicated that the DOE is factoring this in to the interpretation of results

2. Ms. Jackvony – Update on Preschool application process

- Interview happened last Tuesday
- Described interview questions and key points made
- Will hear back soon from DOE

Rev. Carrion put forward a motion authorizing Senior Management and our Consultant to move forward on the proposal to expand enrollment through a High School; seconded by Ms. Rojas and unanimously approved by the Board.

IV. Public Expressions

- No public expressions given

V. Executive Session

- The Board voted to move into Executive Session at 7:52pm
- The Board returned to regular session at 8:10pm

The Board voted to adjourn at 8:18 pm.

