

**BRONX ACADEMY OF PROMISE**  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD  
**April 21, 2020**

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**Location:** Online via Zoom.com

**Present:** Kevin Kearns, Carlibi Rojas, Rev. Dr. Michael Carrion, Dennis Sze, and Agatha Akyere

**Excused:** Milca Meyer

**Minutes:** Kevin Kearns called the meeting into session at 6:05pm

I. The minutes of the Board meeting held in March 2020 were adopted by the board.

II. Opening Remarks.

- Rev Dr Michael Carrion opened the meeting with remarks addressing the challenges relating to manage BAOP during the special circumstances created by the COVID-19 pandemic

III. Principal Coach Schiraldi presented the School Leader's Report:

**Enrollment**

Current Enrollment—600 Total Students

Special Education – 98 students – 16.3%

ELL – 73 students –12%

Free & Reduced Lunch – 580 students – 96.5%

**Attendance Rate**

ATS is currently disabled due to building closures and remote instruction.

Attendance rate for the first month of Remote Instruction as per the daily attendance submitted to secretaries – 96%

**Staff Updates**

- Furloughed – 5 kitchen staff and 2 cafeteria TA's; will be rehired; benefits retained

**Academic Achievement Measures**

- Remote Learning Plan was created, negotiated and agreed upon by Principal and UFT representative with assistance from Attorney Lyle Zuckerman.
- Teaching staff continue to write and submit weekly lesson plans based on ELA and Math curriculum maps.
- Class Dojo, Google Classroom and Zoom are the online learning platforms being used for instruction.

- Teaching staff is required to log on with their students at set times throughout the day for Morning Meeting and attendance, small group guided reading and guided math instruction and at the end of the day for the afternoon wrap up.
- Over 60 Zoom meetings classes per day

### **Operations**

- Ongoing communication from the DOE, NYSED, and the Charter School Center as information is updated.
- Weekly video meetings with the admin team, as well as meetings with the staff.
- Emails, phone blasts have been sent home, as well as messages on the school website and Class Dojo in order to keep families informed.
- Catherine Jackvony has information regarding the building expansion.

### **School Celebrations/Events**

Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, through Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> was spring break

#### IV. Executive Directors Report

- None

#### V. Business Office Report

- Guidance now suggests funding will be flat during 2020-21 school year

#### VI. Unfinished Business

- Agreed to look at hiring Jeff Simon, Architect to guide us in discussions with landlord on construction of proposed annex building

#### VII. Public Expressions

- No parents attended meeting we suspected due to COVID-19.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm