

# **BRONX ACADEMY OF PROMISE CHARTER SCHOOL**

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

**February 13, 2024**

*(Held by zoom.com per emergency protocols due to inclement weather.)*

**Members Present:** Kevin Kearns (Treasurer), Carlibi Rojas, Glenn Corwin, Dennis Sze

**Members Excused:** Milca Meyer, Agatha Akyere, Michael Carrion

**Also Present:** Denise Schiraldi, Catherine Jackvony, Nicholas Parrino, Ms. Arshravan, Ms. Jimenez, Ms. Osias, Ms. Giblin, Ms. Rivera, Ms. Greene, Ms. Campbell, Dan Pasek

### **I. INTRODUCTION**

Meeting was called into session by Mr. Kearns at 6:04 pm.

**The Minutes of the January 16, 2024 meeting were unanimously approved by the Board.**

### **II. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

#### **Enrollment**

Current Enrollment— 623 Total Students

- Pre-K: 44 Students
- K to 8: 579 Students

Special Education – 134 students – 23%

ELL – 86 students – 15%

#### **Attendance Rate**

January attendance rate for total enrollment – 89.3%

January attendance rate for Special Education Enrollment – 87.8%

### **Staff Updates**

- Released –
- Hired –
  - Pre-K TA – Ms. Buie
  - 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA AIS Teacher – Ms. Coogan
- Positions To Be Filled – (Interviews are taking place)
  - 3rd Grade Sp. Ed Teacher
  - Kindergarten Sp. Ed Teacher
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade TA

### **Curriculum and Instruction**

- Teacher and TA formal observations and evaluations continue to take place.
- A keyboarding program has been introduced to help the students develop their typing skills and prepare for the computer-based NYS assessments.

### **Professional Development**

- Mrs. Arshavan and Mrs. Jimenez continue to meet with grade level teams for weekly coaching meetings and Data Teams. They also visit classrooms to offer constructive feedback and model best practices when needed.
- Ms. Giblin has been observing in classrooms to offer feedback to ICT teachers and share strategies that could be implemented in their classrooms to best support their students with IEPs and struggling students. Bimonthly PD meetings with ICT teacher teams continue to take place.
- Staff that are new to BAOP this year attended an iReady PD presented by a representative from iReady

### **Academic Achievement Measures**

- 3rd – 8th grade Mock NYS ELA Assessment was administered the week of January 29<sup>th</sup>.
- 3rd – 8th grade Mock NYS Math Assessment was administered the week of February 5<sup>th</sup>.
- Teachers are currently scoring the mock assessments.
- Data Teams will be taking place the week of February 26<sup>th</sup> and March 4<sup>th</sup> to discuss the item analysis from the Mock Assessments and to determine the NYS standards and skills for each grade level that require the most intense instruction. (ELA & Math Coaches will present at March Board Meeting)

### **School Celebrations/ Upcoming Events**

- January 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> – National School Choice Week – “BAOP... Your Choice, Your Child, Our Passion.” –

- Videos were created and posted on Class Dojo for the parents thanking them for choosing BAOP and informing them about what to expect to receive on each day the week.
- Students participated in Student Choice Activities of their choice on Friday the 26<sup>th</sup>.
- January 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> – Pre-K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade vision screening
- February 8<sup>th</sup> – 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School. Ms. Arshravan and the math committee planned various activities for throughout the day to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> day.
- February 9<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten Sweetheart Dance (29 students attended with their parent sweetheart.)
- February 13<sup>th</sup> – Due to the snow storm, students received remote instruction

**Executive Director Report– Mrs. Jackvony**

- Update on joint venture negotiations for use of new building
- Comparison of new proposal with last proposal
- Financial analysis of two approaches: flat rate vs space used
- Discussion of space use needs and growth of venture partner over 5 yr horizon

**III. PUBLIC EXPRESSIONS**

- Ms. Rojas expressed concern about the problem of bullying in our youngest students and urged the Board to look into it.

**IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- There were no items for executive session.

**The Board voted to adjourn at 6:54 pm.**

