



BRONX ACADEMY OF PROMISE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD

October 21, 2025

Location: Remote

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

Excused: Dennis Sze and Milca Myer

Opening Remarks

Rev. Dr. Michael Carrion called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. The minutes of the September 2025 Board meeting were adopted.

School Leader's Report – Principal Nicholas Parrino

Enrollment

Total Enrollment: 678 Students (625 including Pre-K, 53)

Special Education: 122 students (18%) working on the new numbers its over 130

English Language Learners: 155 students (24%)

Attendance for May: All Students 92%, SpED Students 93%

Staff Updates

Released: None.

Hired: (1) AIS teacher. Looking to hire one (1) more

Positions to Be Filled: 7/8 SS/ELA, SPED Teacher, AIS Teacher (1), 2nd Grade Gen. Ed Teacher, 6th Grade Gen-Ed Teacher, Kindergarten Gen-Ed Teacher, and chef

School Updates/Curriculum & Instruction

- Coaching: Data Teams, Guided Groups, Beginning of the Year Assessments have begun.
- PD Days for staff celebrations, time management and ADP requirements.
- Updated AIS Program is in effect, and we had a meeting with all involved to discuss the processes and procedures led by Ms. Giblin.
- New School Culture Committee Formerly Discipline Committee led by Ms. Osias rolling out new initiatives to help motivate positive student behavior.
- Literacy Event planning started in early October.
- Fall Festival and Fall Ball meetings have taken place.
- Meetings to expand outside CBO Partnerships have taken place led by Mr. Carrow and

Mr. Rodriguez.

- Week of Oct. 27th Red Ribbon Week led by the two Counselors “Life is a Puzzle, Choose Drug Free!”
- Alumni Meeting led by Ms. Jackvony, Mrs. Greene and Mr. Rodriguez being held at the end of October.

School Celebrations & Events

- Staff celebrations – celebrated 3 staff members who were married recently
- ADP requirement that needed to be met
- Focused on staff time management (gave them PD time to work on this
- Tuesday Sept. 16th: Meet the Teacher Night (PK to 8th)
 - 55% of Families
- Thursday Oct. 2nd: School Closed Yom Kippur
- Friday Oct. 10th: Half Day PD
- October 13th: School Closed: Italian Heritage/ Indigenous Peoples’ Day
- October 20th: School Closed: Diwali
- Friday Oct. 24th: PK to 5th Grade Fall Festival
- October 27th to 31st: Red Ribbon Week/Spirit Week
- October 28th: PK/K Pumpkin Patch in Lot
- October 29th: Alumni Virtual Meeting
- October 30th: AIS Parent Title 1 Virtual Meeting
- October 31st: Halloween Half Day for Staff & Students
- November 3rd: Parent Teacher Conferences: 12:30 to 7 PM
- November 4th: Remote Instruction Day/ Virtual Parent Teacher Conferences
- November 11th: School Closed Veteran’s Day
- November 12th: November’s BAOP Board Meeting

Executive Director’s Report

Ms. Jackvony presented the updated application for the BAOP High School. Rev. Carrion asked for a motion to accept the presentation and vote to move forward with the submission of the high school to the NYC DOE. Ms. Rojas accepted the motion and Mr. Corwin seconded the motion. A vote was held, and it was a unanimous vote in favor of the high school application. Ms. Jackvony shared the various groups who have written a letter in support of the BAOP high school.

We have a letter from the Bronx Chamber of Commerce for support of the HS

We have a letter from the President of the Bronx Chamber of Commerce for support of the HS

We have a letter from Vanessa Gibson of Commerce for support of the HS

High School Planning: Discussion focused on pathways into high school. BAOP’s application will be submitted by November 1. The plan is to transition students from the current 8th grade

population to start feeding into the new high school, with a goal of enrolling approximately 40 students, representing half of the current 8th grade cohort.

Business Office Report

Finance committee meeting coming up the Thursday

All board members invited to join and go over the audit report

Review July and August Finances

Allocation for ENL Funding

In the market for a PEO – Health Benefits

Unfinished Business

None currently.

Public Expressions

None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 PM.